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— Elder Jeffrey R. Holland

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"Tithing is a principle that is fundamental to ... personal happiness."

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— Elder M. Russell Ballard

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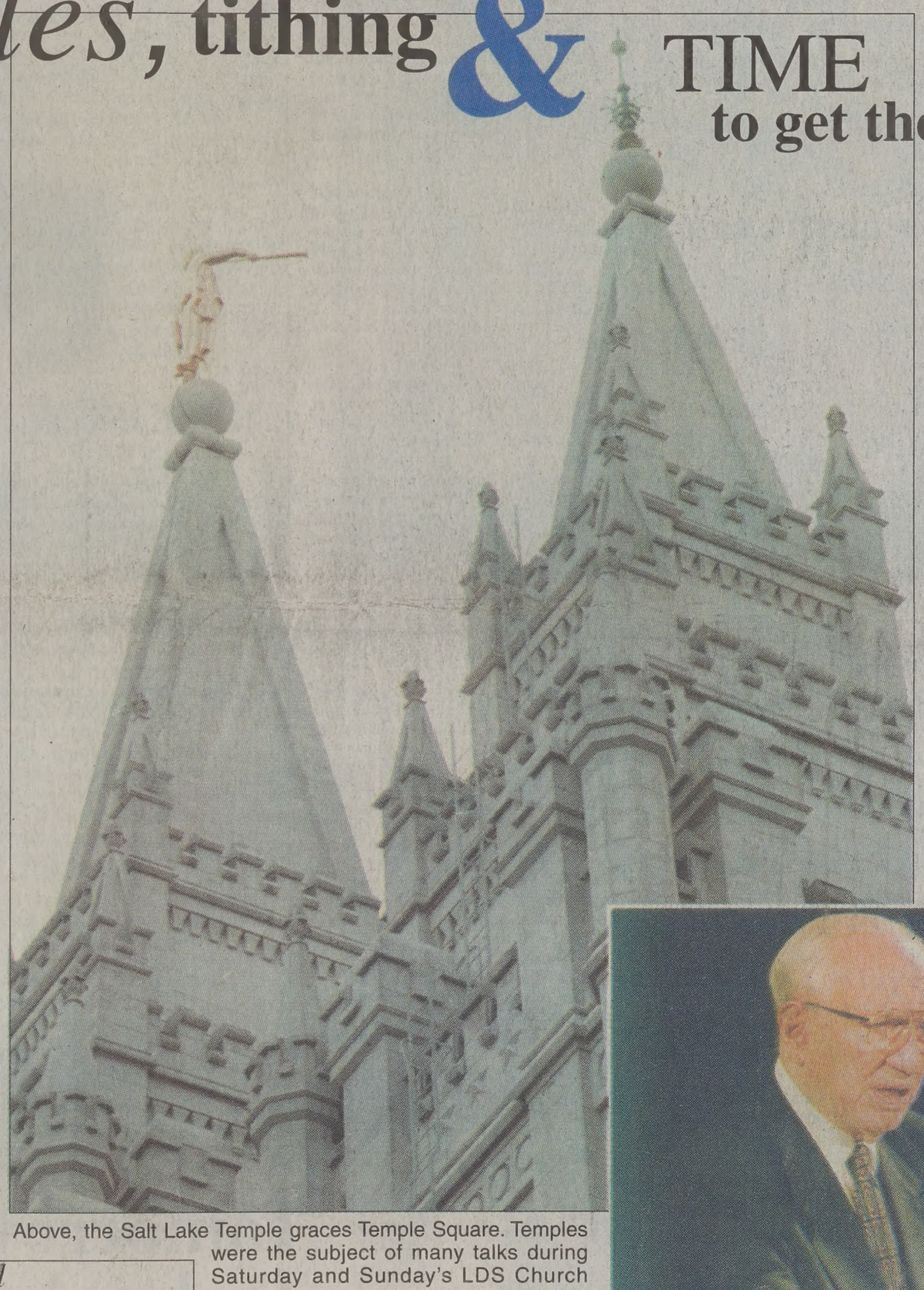

Above, the Salt Lake Temple graces Temple Square. Temples were the subject of many talks during Saturday and Sunday's LDS Church general conference. At right, President Gordon B. Hinckley answers seven common questions media ask Latter-day Saints.

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LDS Church conference focuses on preparation

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The words of the general authorities at the 168th Semiannual General Conference were tied together with the theme of preparation.

The leaders of the church encouraged members to prepare to move forward with the work of God, particularly in the area of temple building and attendance.

"There is an urgency in this work that motivates us to extend the blessings of the temple to as many of our Heavenly Father's children as possible," said Elder M. Russell Ballard, member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles.

Enthusiasm for the church's temple building effort was evident during each session. Sunday, President Gordon B. Hinckley said the church, which announced plans last April to construct some 30 smaller temples, will likely have more than 100 operating temples by the year 2000.

"We shall not stop at these," President Hinckley said in his closing remarks. "We will go on building."

Bishop H. David Burton, member of the Presiding Bishopric, said members of the church can participate in the temple building effort by faithfully paying tithes and participating in ordinances for the deceased.

"Very simply stated, the great opportunity is to see that the lights

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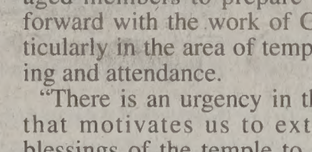

168th Semiannual General Conference

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President answers common questions

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The nature of the Godhead, same-sex attraction, polygamy, abortion and abuse were among the controversial topics addressed by LDS Church President Gordon B. Hinckley in the Sunday morning session of general conference.

"I have thought ... that I would like to raise a half-dozen or so questions we are invariably asked by those of the media and other churches," said President Hinckley, world leader of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The media-savvy President Hinckley referred to his recent appearance on "Larry King Live" and used that

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Larry King discusses interview

Annie Vance/Daily Universe

v High cheerleader presents Larry Thunderbird letterman jacket. The how host announced the game. He came because his stepson plays for Timpview. A NewsNet reporter interviewed King for insights into his interview with President Hinckley.

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President Gordon B. Hinckley has something that Larry King wants: faith.

"See, he has something I admire and have never been able to get. And with religious leaders you always get it," King said.

"They believe — and I'm not sure. I would like to believe. People have tried to get me to believe, but I can't make that leap," he said.

King was at Timpview High School in Provo Friday night to announce his stepson's football game against American Fork High School.

King's stepson, Danny Southwick, was Timpview's quarterback and asked King to do the play-by-play for the game.

King married Danny's mother, Shawn Southwick, last year.

King interviewed President Hinckley on Larry King Live Sept. 8.

"He has a very nice sense about him," King said. "You either have that or you don't and, having interviewed people for 40 years, you sense it. That, oddly enough, is not true of a lot of people. What you saw is what he is."

Some have felt President Hinckley was given special treatment in the interview because King is married to an active member of The Church of Jesus Chris of Latter-day Saints.

"He wasn't treated any different. He was a wonderful guest. He was responsive; he was interesting," King said.

King, who has a Jewish background, describes himself as an agnostic but said he admired President Hinckley and other religious leaders for their faith.

"When I had my heart attack and someone said, 'Did you pray?' I said, 'No.' And he asked, 'Why not?' And I said, 'If there's a God, why did he give me a heart attack?'"

King dispelled any rumors that he was taking the missionary discussions, but marrying Southwick has given him the opportunity to learn about the LDS Church.

"Brett just came back from a mission — my wife's younger brother. I understand their belief, but I just can't make that jump," King said. "I see too much inequity in the world to believe someone's keeping score. I wish I had that faith."

Southwick, who is expecting a baby next spring, said it is up to King to decide whether or not to take the missionary discussions.

"I'm going to let him make that decision. That's not for me to do. That will come in due time if it ever happens," she said.

Though King does not spend much time in Utah, he said he enjoys the atmosphere and unique aspects.

"This is a much calmer way of life. Utah is like another world. I like the peace and calm of it," he said. "I like how safe it is. People don't lock their doors. That's funny."

Students and faculty at Timpview High School were thrilled at the opportunity to meet King.

Timpview principal Randy Merrill said he was appreciative of the generosity of King in making the time to announce the game.

"That's a unique experience," Merrill said. "It is good for Timpview but also good for high school sports."

King and Southwick are not the only celebrity parents at Timpview. Kurt Bestor and Donny Osmond both have children who attend the school. Merrill said he wants the celebrities to be able to be normal parents, so they are treated the same as anyone else.

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Pope visits Croatia, calls for healing

SPLIT, Croatia — On a seaside beach packed with pilgrims, Pope John Paul II sought Sunday to heal the wounds left by war and totalitarian rule in Croatia, and urged the international community to provide "timely help" to end the Kosovo conflict.

Hundreds of thousands of Roman Catholics jammed a beach outside this Adriatic coastal city for the final Mass of John Paul's three-day trip to Croatia.

Adding to the estimated 500,000 people in attendance were Croat pilgrims from neighboring Montenegro, the smaller of two remaining Yugoslav republics, who streamed in when the border crossing was opened Saturday night for the first time since war ended in 1995, state-run Croatian television reported.

"Croats are today called to give a new face to their country, above all by committing themselves to the renewal in society of the ethical and moral values undermined by past totalitarianism and by the recent violence of war," the pope said.

"It is an urgent task, for without values there can be no true freedom or democracy."

Van Gogh exhibit draws huge crowds

WASHINGTON — Hundreds of art lovers waited hours in dank weather Sunday hoping to view the brilliant color and vibrant emotion of Vincent van Gogh's paintings as the largest van Gogh exhibit in the United States in 25 years opened.

"I'm interested in the arts," said Ryan Downs, explaining why he had waited outside the National Gallery of Art since 1 a.m. to get a free pass for the 72-painting show.

The gallery is offering about 2,000 free passes, for admission at specific times during the day, on a first-come, first-serve basis each day. Long lines are expected around the government-owned museum's West Building each day of the exhibit, which runs through Jan. 3.

The show includes some of van Gogh's best known works, including the "Yellow House" where he lived in the southern French town of Arles.

Grandmother: Return starving baby

SALT LAKE CITY — The mother of 22-year-old Christopher Fink, who along with his wife kidnapped their malnourished child from a hospital, says she shares many of the young couple's beliefs: their vegetarian ideals and the notion that their baby is special.

But, on Sunday, Cheryl Gardner appealed for her son to give himself up to the FBI. His dangerous ideas about nutrition, she said, are apparently killing the 20-month-old.

"If you've ever trusted anyone in your life, David, trust me," Gardner said before television cameras at a press conference organized by the FBI Sunday afternoon. "We want you all to be brought in safely," Gardner said. "It's too cold to have that baby out there. He's so hungry."

Bear's crab apple feast turns sour

REXBURG, Idaho — A grizzly bear who could not resist the temptation of crab apple trees in a back yard near Parker was captured by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

It was not the first time the 200-pound male grizzly was tempted by apples. He was first captured Sept. 8 in an orchard near Gardiner, Mont., near the northern boundary of Yellowstone National Park, said Ted Chu, regional wildlife manager at the Fish and Game's Idaho Falls office.

An ear tag and collar worn by the bear enabled officials to pinpoint his recent whereabouts.

The bear had been released back into the wild Sept. 9 at Two Ocean Plateau in the southeastern section of the park. That is about 80 miles from the back yard near Parker where Dennis Aslett, a regional habitat biologist with Fish and Game's Sand Creek Wildlife Management Area, set a trap for him Monday. The grizzly was caught the next day.

"We're going to try to give this bear another chance in the wild," Chu said. "He doesn't meet the criteria of a nuisance bear and he isn't aggressive. We don't want to keep him confined any longer than we have to."

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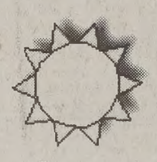
High	54 as of		
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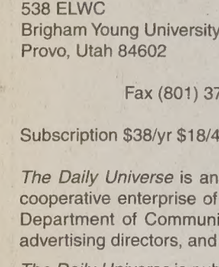
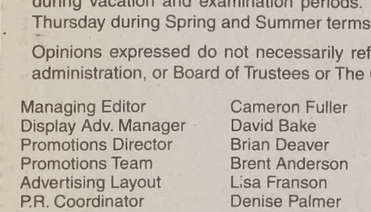


"For behold, I, God, have suffered these things for all, that they might not suffer if they would repent; but if they would not repent they must suffer even as I." — *D&C 19: 16-17*



Liz Marks likes this scripture because "it's a reminder that everything has been taken care of for me, all I have to do is follow his plan." Marks, 18, is a freshman from Newark, Ohio, majoring in recreational management.

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and used that question-and-answer session as a springboard for his conference talk, in which he answered seven commonly asked questions.

The first topic he addressed was the "Mormon doctrine of deity."

"We do not accept the Athanasian Creed. We do not accept the Nicene Creed, nor any other creed based on tradition and the conclusions of men," President Hinckley said, referring to the doctrine of the three-in-one Trinity espoused by most other Christian churches.

"We do accept, as the basis of our doctrine, the statement of the Prophet Joseph Smith that when he prayed for wisdom in the woods, ... two beings of substance were before him," he said. "They were in form like men, only much more glorious in their appearance.... They were not amorphous spirits. Each was a distinct personality. They were beings of flesh and bone."

President Hinckley emphasized the importance of this doctrine, saying, "Nothing we teach, nothing we live by, is of greater importance than this initial declaration."

Next, he addressed the issue of homosexuality, and the church's position toward people "who consider themselves so-called gays and lesbians."

"We love them as sons and daughters of God," President Hinckley said. "They may have certain inclinations which are powerful and which may be difficult to control.... If they do not act upon these inclinations, then they can go forward as do all other members of the church."

But, he said, "if they violate the law of chastity and the moral standards of the church, then they are subject to the discipline of the church, just as others are."

"We want to help these people, to strengthen them, to assist them with their problems," he said. "But we cannot stand idle if they indulge in immoral activity, if they try to uphold and defend and live in a so-called same-sex marriage situation. To permit such would be to make light of the very serious and sacred foundation of God-sanctioned marriage."

The church's position on abortion was the subject of the next commonly asked question. President Hinckley spoke unequivocally: "Abortion is an ugly thing, a debasing thing, a thing which inevitably brings remorse and sorrow and regret."

He reaffirmed that the church makes allowance for abortion in cases of rape, incest, when the mother's life is in "serious jeopardy," or when the fetus "is known by competent medical authority to have ... severe defects that will not allow the baby to survive beyond birth."

Even then, though, women are counseled to "consult with their local ecclesiastical leaders and to pray in great earnestness, receiving a confirmation through prayer before proceeding," President Hinckley said.

The best solution, if there is no possibility of marrying the man responsible for the pregnancy, is for the woman to put the baby up for adoption, President Hinckley said.

The current uproar over polygamy in Utah prompted President Hinckley to firmly declare the church's stand on that issue.

"I wish to categorically state that this church has nothing whatever to do with those practicing polygamy," he said. "They are not members of this church. Most of them have never been members."

He said not only is polygamy against the law of the land — over which the church has no jurisdiction — but since the Lord's revelation to President Wilford Woodruff in 1890, it has been against the law of the church.

"If any of our members are found to be practicing plural marriage, they are excommunicated," President Hinckley said.

In addressing the fifth in his series of questions, President Hinckley attributed the rapid growth of the church — about 4 percent per year, "which is exceptionally good for a church" — to people's desire for stability and consistency in their lives.

"People are looking for a solid anchor in a world of shifting values," he said. "They want something they can hold to as the world about them increasingly appears to be in disarray."

President Hinckley also decried, as he has many times in the past, the "terrible evil" of spouse and child abuse.

"No man who abuses his wife or children is worthy to hold the priesthood of God. No man who abuses his wife or children is worthy to be a member in good standing in this church."

Finally, President Hinckley explained the church's financial operations.

"Those on the outside wonder how we are able to do so much," he said. "They speak and write of the church as having great wealth and tremendous assets."

It is true, he said, that the church has many assets, including thousands of houses of worship around the world, programs of higher education, family history centers and the missionary program.

"But all of these are money-consuming and not money-creating," he said. "It costs a great deal to operate this church. Its worldwide operations are financed through the consecrated tithes of faithful members."

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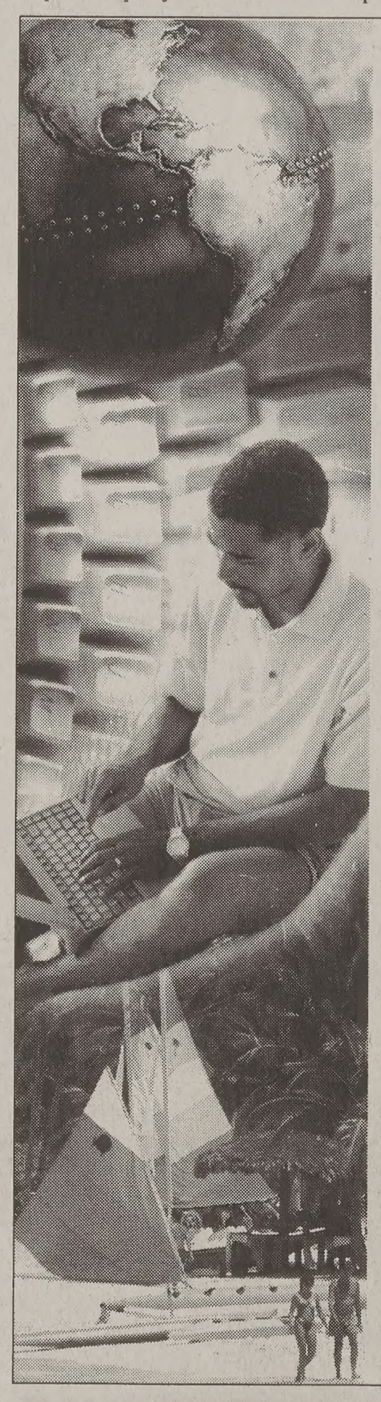

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of State Madeleine ue to arrive Tuesday for nce of a hoped-for sum- ington later this month, es have been busy staking out positions in advance of her visit.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who has repeatedly accused the Palestinians of not doing enough to crack down on Islamic militants, said Israel's security was his paramount concern.

"Israel has shown its willingness to go the distance," he told reporters at a ceremony to usher in the Jewish holiday of Sukkot. "Now it's up to the Palestinians to show their willingness to carry out their part."

Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority has said it is working to contain militant groups like Hamas, but that even its best efforts cannot provide an ironclad guarantee against attacks.

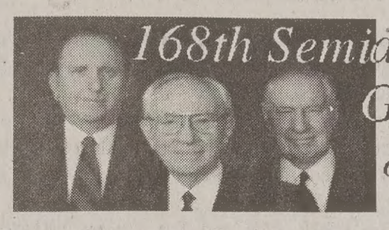
Two days before Albright's scheduled arrival, Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat expressed hopes for a speedy accord — but said any movement must come from the Israeli side.

"She has one 'yes' in her pocket. That is Arafat's 'yes,'" Erekat said of Albright. "In order to reach an agreement she needs a second 'yes,' and that is Mr. Netanyahu's."

The Palestinians earlier this year accepted terms of an American-authored initiative on an Israeli troop pullback, but Netanyahu balked, citing security concerns.

Erekat spoke to reporters during a break in talks with Israeli Cabinet Secretary Danny Naveh. The two were mainly discussing secondary issues, including the so-called safe passage that would permit Palestinian travel between the West Bank and Gaza Strip and the status of Palestinian prisoners.

Sunday's West Bank clashes occurred near Hebron, marking the fifth straight day of skirmishing in or near the divided town. Hebron is home to 450 Jewish settlers and 130,000 Palestinians and a frequent flashpoint for violence.



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"To me, the number of people (who listened) isn't important, Johnson said. "What is important is that we were able to play a small role in making this happen. It doesn't really matter if two people tuned in or 200,000."

This is the second general conference that NewsNet has netcast. Last spring, some students came to Johnson with the idea of netcasting conference in various foreign languages. He told them it was a great idea and to go and get permission from LDS Church-owned Bonneville Communications.

"To do something like this at a corporation would be impossible because of the greed and jealousy involved," he said. "But here, it's like the dominoes just fell into place. Everyone has worked together to make this happen."

The process of netcasting conference begins at Temple Square. Volunteers come to the Tabernacle to translate the talks into 35 different languages. Each person translates one talk.

As the talks are translated, Bonneville Communications makes them available live via satellite to different parts of the world, where they can be picked up by stake centers or even by radio.

"That's a lot of people involved, and the two conferences we've been a part of, I haven't seen a single problem," Johnson said. "Their's is the hard part. What we do is easy."

Media Services downloads these transmissions in as many languages as they have the bandwidth, which is currently eight. NewsNet then sets its computers to tune into the channels that Media Services has set up.

Johnson said NewsNet has permission to netcast in all 35 available languages, but they don't yet have the technological capability. Soon, however, Media Services will be expanding its bandwidth to accommodate Cougar Cable, and this will allow for more languages to be netcast. For the next general conference, in April, Johnson expects to be able to netcast 16 to 20 foreign languages.

at to do with world finances?

Associated Press

GTON — Bickering Sunday between the s and its rich allies even ink was dry on their for combating a widen- c crisis that has already hird of the world into

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n $100 billion in IMF ckages have been put together since the start of the Asian crisis. They provided help only after a country's economy was decimated and its resources depleted by investors seeking to flee.

The currency crises started in Thailand 15 months ago, then struck Indonesia and South Korea. In August, similar conditions triggered a disastrous free fall of the Russian economy, and that in turn raised anxieties that Latin America will be next.

But several nations said Sunday the U.S. proposal would be dead on arrival unless the United States provides $18 billion to replenish depleted IMF resources before Congress' scheduled adjournment this week.

British Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown told reporters the Group of Seven nations had agreed only to explore the Americans' quick-response proposal. He said a new "IMF facility is dependent on the IMF having the funds, and that is dependent on House approval" of the $18 billion.

All the wrangling was over a five-page communique the world's seven richest countries — the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Britain, Canada and Italy — issued Saturday night. The aim for the document is to serve as a blueprint for discussions in the next five days at the annual meetings of the 182-nation IMF and its sister lending agency, the World Bank.

But finance officials let it be known Sunday that each country has its own interpretations of just what was meant by the vaguely worded document.

Hans Tietmeyer, president of the German central bank, rejected outright suggestions that Germany, as Europe's largest economy, should reduce interest rates to ward off the adverse effects of the Asian and Russian turmoil.

Eddie George, head of the Bank of England, was less blunt but stressed that slower global growth "can't be the only factor" that British monetary authorities consider when they meet Wednesday to decide whether to lower rates.

On the policy front, Britain is pushing proposals last month from Prime Minister Tony Blair for a partial merger of the financial regulation roles of the IMF and the World Bank, while France is promoting an idea opposed by the United States to give the IMF's interim committee a more permanent role in crisis management.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin told his colleagues Sunday that continued support in developing countries for the free market system, which has meant so much to the growth of the world economy in recent decades, could hang in the balance.

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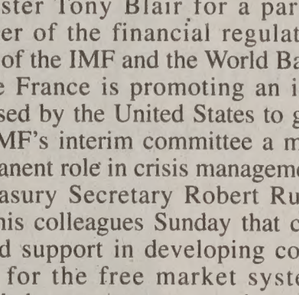

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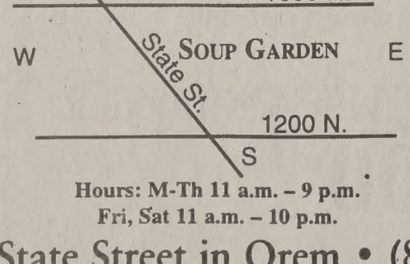

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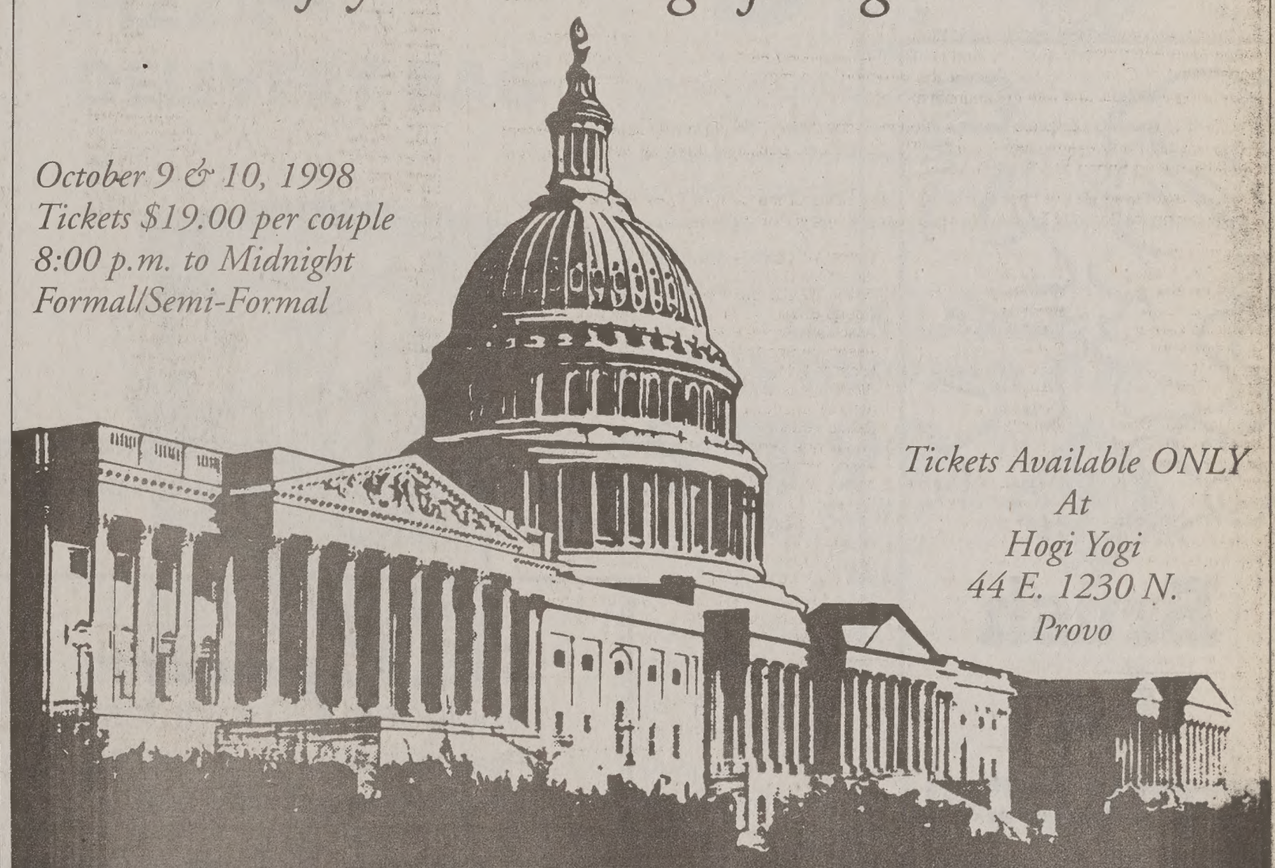

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Holladay, Cottonwood may merge

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Holladay and Cottonwood residents are gathering signatures to form their areas of Salt Lake County into an incorporated city.

Edward Lunt, who has worked for the incorporation campaign, said a proposed name for the new city is Holladay-Cottonwood. 3,078 acres of Salt Lake County would be incorporated into the proposed city. The area would include 15,000 people and 5,000 households.

Lunt said owners of 30 percent of the acreage in the proposed area need to sign the proposal in order to submit it to Salt Lake County.

Liane Stillman, sponsor of the incorporation, said she plans to have the signatures submitted by Halloween. After submission, the county has 45 days to verify the signatures.

"The county is very strict, if someone signs by only putting their first initial the county won't count it. You must sign your official name," Stillman said.

After the county verifies the names, the proposed incorporation will have a special election on Feb. 2, 1999. If the proposal passes, the county will hold primary elections for city offices in May and final elections in June.

"If everything works out on Jan. 1, 2000 we will be a new city," Lunt said.

Lunt said there are two reasons Holladay and Cottonwood should become incorporated. "The first is to bring local control in developmental services. The second is financial."

Lunt said the area's savings would be significant. He said property value is higher in the Holladay-Cottonwood area than the rest of the county.

"Our taxes are higher, but the costs and benefits are the same. We subsidize other parts of the valley," Lunt said.

The Cottonwood Mall is also an important factor in the decision to incorporate. Lunt said the mall is the only one in Salt Lake County that is outside a municipality. He said the merger of Cottonwood and Holladay would prevent another area from securing the mall for its tax district.

"The mall is a major contributor to sales tax in this area. It makes it economically feasible to incorporate," Lunt said.

If the area is incorporated all municipality services will need to be provided for. It is common for a new city to set up a contract with the county to provide these services.

"It is a forgone conclusion to contract out all municipalities except zoning and planning," Stillman said.

Stillman said Cottonwood has tried to incorporate before. In 1993 the incorporation ended up in the Supreme Court.

"Three times we have done the things necessary to incorporate our city, and three times the laws have changed on us," Stillman said. "A lot of politics are involved."

Adonis Nielson, a resident of Holladay, collected signatures in his neighborhood. He said there was a mixed reaction to the incorporation.

Robert Keddington of Holladay said almost everyone has been in favor of it.

"One man told me that from a business standpoint he is not sure because the county has been favorable to him, but as a resident he is in favor," Keddington said.

"Honestly I thought I'd find a few people against it, but my own experience has been 100 percent positive," Lunt said.

SLC residents to vote on library renovatio

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Residents of Salt Lake City will vote on a bond that will give them a new and larger main library in November.

On Nov. 3, Salt Lake voters will be able to decide on a 20-year, $84 million bond which will raise annual property taxes on a $150,000 home by $43.50.

The funds will pay for a new 200,000-square foot library, parking for 600 vehicles, expansion of the Foothill and Sprague branch libraries and the demolition of vacated buildings on the library block.

Nancy Tessman, director of the city library system, said a larger library will cost more to operate.

To account for the increase in operation cost, the city will raise property taxes on a $150,000 home by another $7.

Sally Patrick, assistant director of the SLC library, said the library building is outdated. There is no dedicated parking and seismic stability is not up to code. Library equipment is heavily worn because of continuous use, according to Patrick.

"Utah has one of the highest percentages of population in the country using the library," Patrick said.

New technology has also contributed to the need for a new library.

"Our library was built before electronic typewriters," Patrick said.

The project will build 600 parking spaces, with only 300 spaces dedicated e library use. Tessman said there is to make money on available park plans are not finalized. She said lot of work that needs to be done.

The city plans to demolish old facilities when they are vacated. on the block will be demolished current main library.

Tessman said the library boa working on this project have trie include the public in every aspect.

Trial closes with plea bargain

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The trial of a Provo man charged with sexual assault closed Tuesday with a plea bargain.

Michael Drew, 19, of Provo pleaded no contest to reduced charges of class A misdemeanors. He had been charged in January with aggravated sexual assault and aggravated kidnapping, both first-degree felonies.

A BYU sophomore who was acquainted with Drew claimed he sexually assaulted her in the basement of his family home for several hours Jan. 5. Drew pleaded not guilty to the original charges and continues to assert that the woman's story is untrue.

"I am innocent, and I maintain my innocence. I will never plead guilty," Drew said. He decided to accept the reduced charges after an hour of deliberation when his attorney told him that Judge Anthony Schofield said he would be a "damn fool" not to take the plea bargain.

Sentencing was set for Nov. 18.

Drew claims six to eight police officers threatened and beat him after his arrest and that his civil rights were violated in the investigation.

He is considering a civil suit against the police and the state for police brutality and malicious prosecution.

Detective David Moore of the Provo Police Department denied Drew's allegations and said that the investigation was carried out in a legal and unbiased manner.

"We try to put together the facts of the case as they stand by themselves, not as the way we may be led to believe.

"We don't skew things to try to make it benefit the side of the victim or the person who's charged with the crime. We just want the facts," Moore said.

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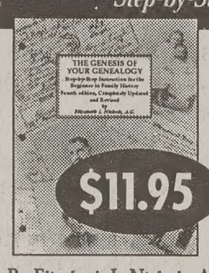

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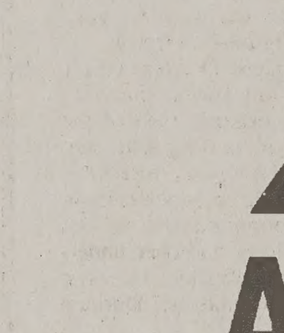

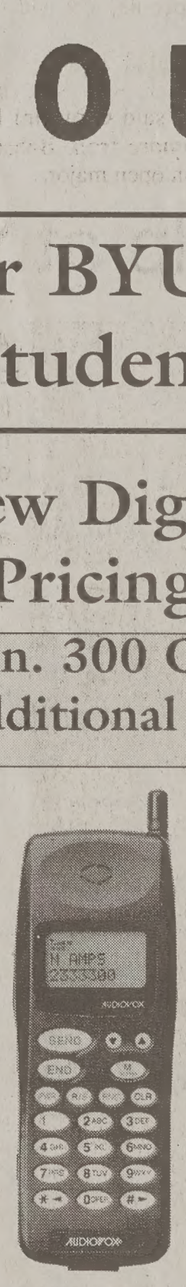

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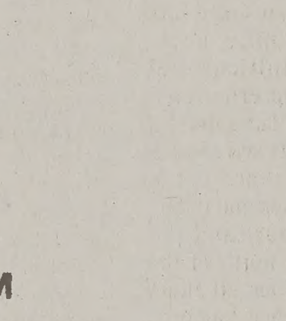

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hos Amorim urged a stand- only crowd to return to the ues of life at a fireside vening in the N. Eldon ilding.

Amorim was recently member of the Quorum of y at the 168th Semiannual Conference of the LDS

morim spoke during the session of General ce on Saturday, but he English. The fireside vening was in his native f Portuguese.

Ortolano, professor of e and Brazilian Literature, foreign language firesides ial to BYU's diverse cul- ture.

"With this fireside we are showing how internationally-oriented BYU really is. With Elder Amorim speaking in his native language we can get to know him better on a more personal level," he said.

Speaking in Portuguese seemed to help Elder Amorim relax and speak the words that he had wanted to say in conference, but wasn't able to speak as easily and fluently.

"I had to speak in English for the conference, and you know who was in back of me watching," Elder Amorim said lightheartedly to the Portuguese-speaking members at the fireside.

Elder Amorim expressed his gratefulness for the opportunity to speak to Brazilians and those who love Brazil, in his native language.

Sister Maria Alice Amorim spoke before her husband, introducing them to LDS members.

Sister Amorim expressed how differences in culture are not barriers, but bring members together in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

"All of us must make our own decisions in the spirit of prayer, without worrying about others' opinions about us," Sister Amorim said.

She also urged members in attendance to have an objective and always work toward completing that objective. Then Sister Amorim pointed out individual members throughout the audience that were working toward their objectives. Many of the people who were pointed out were Brazilians working for their master's degrees at BYU, an English-speaking university.

Elder Amorim spoke about the sincerity of children, and how sincerity is such a thing of beauty in a world of constantly complex values.

"I believe simple things can teach more than the complexity found in the thick and detailed writings of a book," Elder Amorim said.

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ew student lounge, across us Craft and Floral, will be finished Nov. 21. Students can submit a name for the student lounge until Oct. 23 in the drop off box at the lounge or at BYUSA, said Karen Duffin, BYUSA vice president.

BYU spirit will radiate in the new lounge with navy blue couches and stools. A large screen T.V. will be surrounded by couches and the high tables and stools will be close to the vending machines for students to eat, socialize or study, Duffin said.

Two large murals created by students will decorate the walls, Duffin said. One mural will display the four aims of a BYU education through symbols and colors. These aims are to spiritually strengthen, intellectually enlarge, promote life long learning and service, and build character.

The other mural will be a painting of students partaking fruit from the tree of life. The different colors of the fruit will correlate with the colors of the four aims of the BYU education mural, Duffin said.

"I'm excited about the new student lounge because it will give more ownership of the Wilkinson Center to students," Duffin said.

Another school spirited lounge is the Memorial Hall on the second floor of the Wilkinson Center. It's a great place to study in a peaceful setting, Bishop said.

The Memorial Hall was dedicated in 1967 in recognition of all the alumni and BYU students who have died fighting for the freedom of America. The reverence for the ones who have died in war is communicated in the setting, which is quiet, peaceful, comfortable furniture, decorated carpet, large windows with a view of Y Mountain. No food or drink is allowed in the hall so that it stays nice and clean, Bishop said.

The purpose of having more lounge areas is to accommodate the students' needs.

"The Wilkinson Center is the students' building so they might as well use it," said Lynn Johnson, facilities services manager for the Wilkinson Student Center.

Students need a place to gather, meet people, rest and study, Johnson said.

"I'm glad that they've made more lounge areas for studying and socializing," said Giovanni Fazzini, 19, a sophomore from Babson Park, Fla., with an open major.

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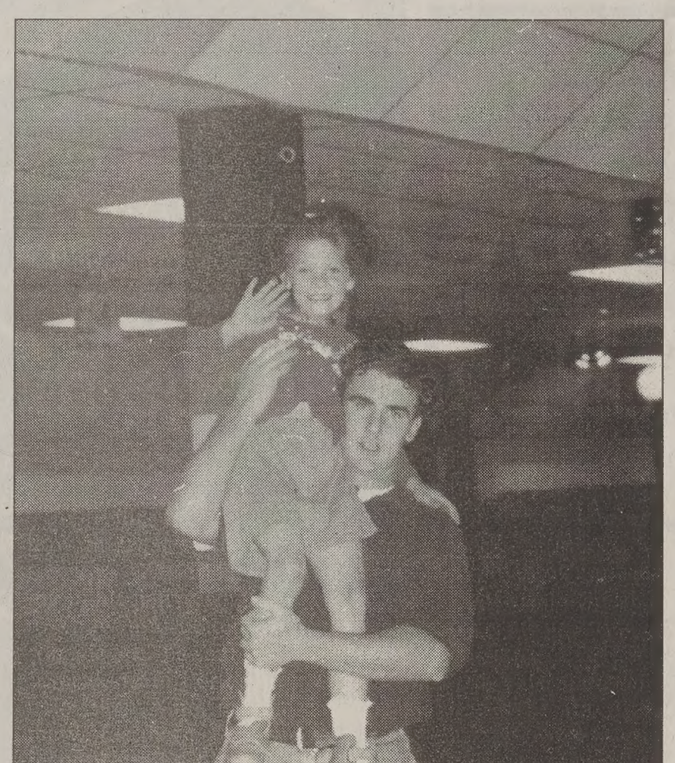

A BYU student gives a lift to a girl in the ACCESS program. The program allows students to spend time with and be role models to children.

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Y to sponsor symposium

International religious liberty to be discussed

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Brigham Young University and the J. Reuben Clark Law School are hosting a symposium dealing with international religious liberty Oct. 5 and 6 in the Wilkinson Center.

Scholars and diplomats from around the world are gathering at BYU to discuss the issues of religious freedom and the important role that it plays in their respective countries.

Around 35 scholars and individuals involved in the ministry of religious affairs will represent countries such as Estonian, Romania, New Zealand, Germany, Russia, Kenya, Ethiopia, Peru, Mexico and many others.

Professors from the Law School, the Kennedy Center and President Merrill J. Bateman will be speaking and introducing the visiting speakers who will then hold break out sessions in different rooms throughout the Wilkinson Center.

The visiting diplomats are here to discuss with each other and learn from each other about religious freedoms, legislation and ways to make nations more religiously tolerant.

Professor W. Cole Durham of the Law School has been heavily involved in the organization of the symposium and in dealing with specific issues about religious freedoms.

"This will provide an opportunity to share ideas of common problems and enable them to have a deeper understanding of how religious freedom can work in their countries," Durham said.

Durham stressed the importance of being able to tolerates different religions, and that the more we know about each other and how each country works, the easier it will be.

"There aren't any majority religions in the world, we are all minorities in the global village," Durham said.

Each of the participants in the symposium are learning how to better deal with this complex issue of religious freedom.

"Religion and religious freedom is a sensitive and vital issue in all countries," Durham said, "we can all hope to learn more about ways to promote tolerance and understanding.

Durham hopes that many students will come and take advantage of this opportunity. There are many students at BYU who have dealt with religious intolerance while serving missions for the Church and in other areas of their lives. This symposium is a means to learn and understand more about different countries, and what issues they are facing.

Professor Donald B. Holsinger, the director of International Studies at the Kennedy Center, also feels it is important for students to be made aware of the different religious issues around the world.

"I hope that our students will come and listen, learn, and participate and that some will find the topic interesting enough to pursue it in greater depth," said Holsinger.

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> *-Donald B. Holsinger, director, International Studies at Kennedy Center*

The history of the LDS Church has not been without religious persecution and students should want to participate with that in mind, Holsinger expressed.

"Students should get involved because we may not be as tolerant as we should be, and because we, as a Church, were once victims ourselves," Holsinger said.

Holsinger has worked with the Kennedy Center to orchestrate this symposium and see that the guests are well taken care of.

"We take an active role in hosting the participants. I will have the three visiting Kenyans in my home tonight," Holsinger said.

One way students in the Law School are getting involved is through the BYU Law Review Journal that is published four times a year. Many of the speeches will be published in the Journal, explained Richard Benson, 26, from Bountiful, a third year law student.

"One edition of the Law Review will be devoted to the symposium," Benson said. This is an opportunity for law students to come in contact with professional scholars and many times the law reviews are the starting points for legislation.

"The Journal is also an opportunity to advance the mission of the Church by concentrating on areas of the law that are important to members of the Church," Benson said.

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Priesthood brings responsibility, power of God

Elder Oaks: Priesthood duties vital

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All members benefit from the sacred responsibilities of the Aaronic Priesthood, said Elder Dallin H. Oaks in Saturday's priesthood session of General Conference.

Elder Oaks, member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, reminded Aaronic Priesthood holders that performing baptisms and administering the sacrament are not to be taken lightly.

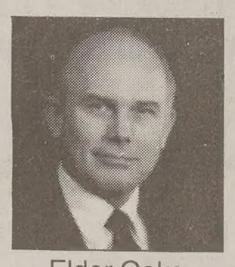
"During His ministry, Jesus taught that baptism is necessary for salvation," Elder Oaks said. "Baptism is the first of the saving ordinances."

Jesus also introduced the sacrament and promised the Holy Ghost, Elder Oaks said. The sacrament prayer includes the relationship between the sacrament and the Holy Ghost.

"To have the continuous companionship of the Holy Ghost is the most precious possession we can have in mortality," Elder Oaks said.

Elder Oaks shared a recent experience he had with cutting down a tree in his yard. After he was done he was covered with sawdust and oil and did not want anyone to see him in that condition. He likened the experience to the shame of being soiled spiritually.

"How grateful we are that the Lord has provided a process for each member of His Church to be periodically cleansed from the soil of sin," Elder Oaks said.


Elder Oaks

Elder Oaks said that through the sacrament the Lord renews the cleansing that takes place at a person's baptism.

"In a closely related way these ordinances of the Aaronic Priesthood are also vital to the ministering of angels," Elder Oaks said.

Quoting Elder George Q. Cannon, Elder Oaks defined an angel as "any heavenly being bearing God's message," and said that angels appear personally, as well as through a voice or as thoughts or feelings.

"Most angelic communications are felt or heard rather than seen," Elder Oaks said.

"How does the Aaronic Priesthood hold the key to the ministering of angels? The answer is the same as for the Spirit of the Lord.

"In general, the blessings of spiritual companionship and communication are only available to those who are clean."

Holders of the Aaronic Priesthood allow those who are clean to enjoy the promised companionship of the Holy Ghost, Elder Oaks said. He suggested ways deacons, teachers and priests should present themselves when participating in the sacrament.

"The principle I suggest to govern those officiating in the sacrament — whether preparing, administering, or passing — is that they should do nothing that would distract any member from his or her worship and renewal of covenants," Elder Oaks said.

Priesthood has power, says President Faust

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President James E. Faust, Second Counselor of the First Presidency, said that true power comes through the priesthood of God at the Priesthood Session of general conference.

"Power is highly attractive. It can be both good and bad," said President Faust. "Unfortunately, some young men, particularly those who fall short scholastically, who don't make the team, or who are not chosen to sing in a specially selected choir, may feel rejected and be lured to groups that they think will compensate for their inadequacies."

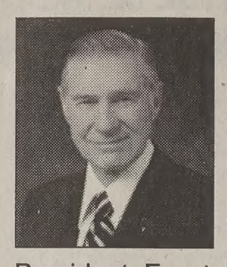
President Faust added that a hunger of acceptance or power draws them "like a moth to a flame" to street gangs and other associations.

This types of associations can lead to violent acts and bad habits that may be dangerous to not only the body but also the soul.

"You young holders of the priesthood have access to the greatest power source in the world," President Faust explained, "it is the priesthood of God."

President Faust said this power is in complete contrast to other power sources. The power of the priesthood builds spiritual and physical strength which endures through the eternities.

"This power comes in proportion to our faithfulness in fulfilling our duties," President Faust continued. The priesthood holders of the church have great responsibility. "With the power of the priesthood come weighty responsibilities. Indeed, we can enjoy priesthood power only when we do our duty."


President Faust

President Faust said the brethren in early days were taught some hard lessons regarding duty.

"Under the Prophet Joseph Smith's leadership, the Lord taught them and sifted them," he said.

He explained what the duty of the priesthood of the church is today.

"The continuing duty of the priesthood of the church today is to care for all members, including the poor and the needy, the widows, the orphans and the single mothers and their families. We have the additional duty in our time to increase our labors in love to the spiritually poor among our brethren, so that they and their families can enjoy 'peace in this world, and eternal life in the world to come.'"

President Faust expressed the importance of this duty to the Aaronic Priesthood holders.

It is a great duty for them in each of their responsibilities, he said. From passing the sacrament to preparing it and to blessing the sacred bread and water, with each one of these duties comes blessing and power.

"The priesthood of God has become the eminent power for good in the world," he said.

There will be obstacles, difficulties, challenges, and many oppositions in the future. But the power of the priesthood will be the strength to carry the priesthood holders of the church through.

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Parents: prepare missionaries, says Seventy

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Parents are responsible for making the mission field stronger, said Elder H. Brian Richards.

Elder Richards, a member of the Second Quorum of the Seventy, emphasized the need for more missionaries and their parents' responsibility to prepare them.

To increase the number of missionaries, parents must understand their responsibility, Elder Richards said.,

He said it is important to ask Heavenly Father to know how to make the young men of the church ready to serve.

"As parents, we have the responsibility to prepare our sons to be worthy and to have a desire to serve the Lord," said Elder Richards.

He said parents are the stewards of their sons.

"The Lord has entrusted them to us, and we will be held accountable for them. One of the blessings of that stewardship will be preparing our sons to serve the Lord," Elder Richards said.

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> *Elder H. Brian Richards*

Elder Richards recounted the Book of Mormon story about the sons of Helaman to show how parents can have a powerful impact on their children.

He said the sons of Helaman obeyed and performed the word of God with exactness because they remembered what their mothers taught them.

"When you teach (your sons) that there is a just God, and that he wants every able and worthy young man to serve a mission, your sons will have the faith to answer the Lord's call," said Elder Richards.

Understanding doctrine will change young men's attitude and behavior, said Elder Richards.

He said when parents, bishops and young men understand the worth of a soul and the Savior's atonement, the young men will desire to serve.

He told parents not to let their sons miss the opportunity to be part of the greatest army of missionaries ever assembled.

Today's missionaries were proven before they came to earth and were held in reserve for the last days, he said.

"There is not anything a young man can do that will be any more important than serving a mission," he said.

Elder Richards invited the membership of the church to ask Heavenly Father that the young men of the church will desire to serve missions.

Seventy says quorums have three functions

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Every priesthood holder should stand proud to be a member of a quorum of the church, said Elder D. Todd Christofferson, member of the presidency of the quorum of the Seventy.

Elder Christofferson referred back to an address given by Elder Stephen L. Richards sixty years ago in which he described the purposes of quorums in the church as being threefold: a class; a fraternity; and a service unit.

The organization of the lesson schedule in quorum meetings corresponds with these three purposes, he said.

In the second and third week of every month, the quorum is a class, he said. The lessons contain teachings of the prophets to instruct members concerning correct gospel principles.

"When a priesthood quorum or group meets as a class, its members can learn together, be nourished by the good word of God and grow spiritually. We study so that we may better teach," he said.

Elder Christofferson counseled priesthood leaders to be careful about the matters discussed in priesthood meetings by making sure that the subjects pertain to "things of a higher order." Some of the scheduled lessons for Aaronic Priesthood meetings, for example, include "Covenants guide our actions," "Respect for mothers and their divine role," and "Moral courage," he said.

Next, Elder Christofferson discussed the quorum as being a fraternity where all of its members can feel acceptance and camaraderie.

"The fraternity of priesthood quorums can indeed be awesome," he said. He shared his own experience of being accepted as a member of the Seventy.

In the beginning he was afraid that it would take time and hard work before being accepted among other members of the quorum. Instead, he said he felt an

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Honor priesthood, be debt-free, President Hinckley admonishes

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President Gordon B. Hinckley praised young men of the Aaronic Priesthood and told Melchizedek Priesthood members to stay out of debt, during the Priesthood Session on Saturday.

President Hinckley quoted a group of Aaronic Priesthood Boy Scouts in California.

"We will magnify the priesthood we have been given by serving other people. We will keep ourselves worthy to administer the sacrament of the Lord's supper. Wherever there is a need for help, like our forefathers, we will step forward," he said.

"What a different world this would be if every young man could and would sign such a statement of promise."

LDS priesthood members were asked to stand up for the things which they know to be right.

The two divisions of the priesthood were each admonished to strive for something in their lives.

The Aaronic Priesthood members were told, "On the agenda of your lives would be a mission. You would gladly go wherever you might be sent to do the work of the Lord, giving it your full time and attention, your strength and energy and love."

Melchizedek Priesthood members were told, "So many of our people are living on the very edge of their incomes. In fact, some are living on borrowings ... What a wonderful feeling it is to be free of debt, to have a little money against a day of emergency put away where it can be retrieved when necessary."

President Hinckley said, "When your energies are harnessed, when your dreams are focused, marvelous things happen."

In his closing remarks directed to the young men of the priesthood, President Hinckley said, "May achievement, accomplishment and service become your reward in the fascinating and wonderful life which lies ahead of you."

President Hinckley then directed his words to the Melchizedek Priesthood brethren. He pointed out fearsome swings in the financial markets over the last few weeks.

"The economy is a fragile thing," he said.

Quoting President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., President Hinckley said, "Once in debt, interest is your companion every minute of the day and night; you cannot shun it or slip away from it; you cannot dismiss it; it yields neither to entreaties, demands, or orders; and whenever you get in its way or cross its course or fail to meet its demands, it crushes you."

President Hinckley told members of the Melchizedek Priesthood that he realizes that it may be necessary to borrow to get a home. But that borrowing can be done without getting deep into debt, he said.

"No one knows when emergencies will strike," President Hinckley said.

"Since the beginnings of the church, the Lord has spoken on this matter of debt," he said.

President Hinckley expressed gratitude that the LDS Church is not in debt.

"The Church, in all its operations, in all its undertakings, in all of its departments, is able to function without borrowed money," he said.

"I urge you, brethren, to look to the conditions of your finances. I urge you to be modest in your expenditures, to avoid debt to the extent possible, pay off that debt as quickly as you can and free yourselves from bondage," he said in his closing remarks.

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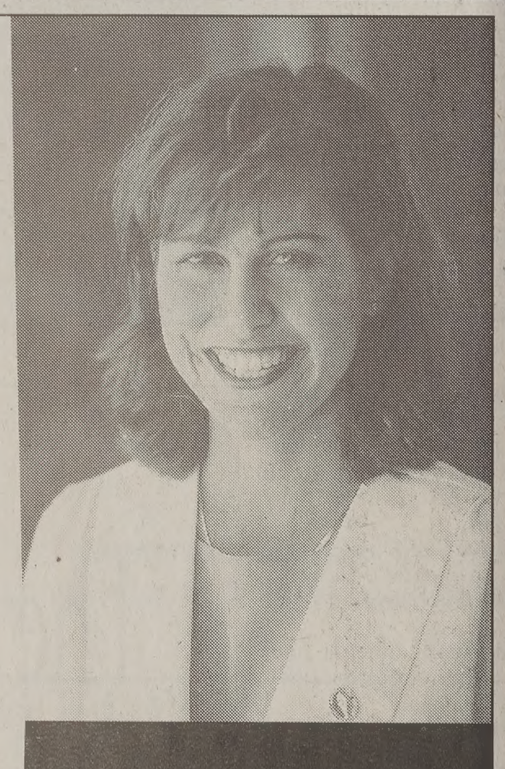

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From left, Davison Cheney, Jan Felt, Marvin Payne, Joanne Perry and David Whitlock portray the laughter, tears and joy of the pioneers in the critically acclaimed original musical "The Trail of Dreams." It will play through Nov. 16 in the new SCERA showhouse in Orem.

'Trail' should be shorter

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Theater Review

The goal of the SCERA Indoor Theatre's musical "The Trail of Dreams" is to memorialize the lives of the LDS pioneers.

The presentation of this goal, however, is often not clear. It's method of story telling is muddled throughout, despite impressive performances by the cast.

Playwrights James Arrington, Marvin Payne and Steven Kapp Perry attempt the too-ambitious task of sandwiching all aspects of the pioneer experience into two and a half hours.

They have, in effect, overloaded their handcart.

Passions, fears, dreams and presumptions of numerous people are weaved in and out of hardships such as cold, illness, lack of food and death.

The result is a patchwork of diary excerpts and dream telling loosely stitched together instead of a coherent effort.

This style comes at the cost of character development. The play features a myriad of one-dimensional characters. Half the cast plays an average of five roles during the show. And a few parts are even reduced to caricature, such as pioneer and hymn composer William Clayton, who bounces around the stage announcing in a flowery tone, "I wrote a song last night!"

Framing the action around a dream sequence of real-life pioneer John Brown (played by Marvin Payne) introduces too many variables in the plot. Pioneers from various companies and time periods (from 1847 to 1860) are enabled to interact along the trail to the Salt Lake Valley.

Unavoidable are the ensuing anachronisms (whether the train is available for transportation, foreknowledge of a character's calling) which are written off as punch lines.

The playwrights should have narrowed the musical's focus. A worthy theme to develop might have been Brown's struggle of reconciling the saints' faith to be healed and protected with the disturbing reality of loss and death.

Dialogue between Brown and an angel (who's purpose is to "rescue" and lead to heaven death-bound pioneers) is ineffective as well as distracting.

The music is mostly forgettable, except for "The Ballad of Rocky Ridge," which showcases the cast's rich vocal talent in arrangement and harmony, especially when performed a cappella. "The Trail of Dreams" needs more arrangements like this.

In all, "The Trail of Dreams" doesn't add any new or significant dimensions to the LDS pioneer heritage than portrayed in other mediums such as the film "Legacy," the 1997 general conference talks and coverage of the re-creation of the original trek west.

All this criticism is not to say that "The Trail of Dreams" was not well-executed.

It was well-directed and made good use of stage space. There was some clever staging, including dress hems pulled to represent tents and people standing in for oxen and even mountains.

The cast did a good job of conveying a sense of brother and sisterhood in the face of terrible odds. One of the most important legacies the pioneers left was that they were bound together by the thing they wanted more than anything else: to reach Zion.

Characters Elsie and Caroline's thoughtful conversation and song about ordinary people doing extraordinary things provided a connection to present day descendants of these "ordinary" people.

There were also some genuinely funny parts, supplied mostly by the talented actors Davison Cheney and Jan Felt, who played Danish immigrants struggling with a new country and a new language. Their scenes together provided a much needed and much appreciated comic relief, as well as some tender husband and wife moments.

"The Trail of Dreams" plays through Nov. 16. For more details, call 225-ARTS.

Conference play-by-play

SNIDE REMARKS

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Columnist

The reason there was no traffic this weekend is that it was general conference and everyone was inside watching it on TV, or at least pretending to watch it for the sake of their roommates.

But if you only watched it on TV, as opposed to being right there in the Tabernacle, well, buddy, you haven't lived. Since you weren't there (or at least I didn't see you), i'll give you my account of the Sunday morning session.

9:11 a.m. — Three NewsNet reporters — Adam, Samantha and Marissa — and I arrive at Temple Square, dressed professionally and ready to do our journalistic duty in covering conference. Adam promptly breaks the clip off his press pass.

9:14 — We enter the Tabernacle and sit in the press section. The Mormon Tabernacle Choir has finished its rehearsal for the "Music and the Spoken Word" broadcast. Clay Christiansen is making a hideous noise on the organ by playing two notes on two different keyboards that were never intended to be played simultaneously. We wish he would stop. After, like, a million minutes, he finally does. What was he doing, tuning it? It sounded terrible, but he was doing it on purpose. Maybe he was trying to blow the rats out of the pipes, I don't know.

9:42 — During the "Music and the Spoken Word" thing, announcer Lloyd Newell introduces an organ solo, and I silently hope that it's going to sound better than whatever that rat-blowing thing was earlier. Newell says the piece is "the ever-popular 'Prince of Denmark March.'" I am dubious as to the "ever-popular" part, but the piece sounds pretty nice. As I listen, I close my eyes and try to picture the Prince of Denmark marching somewhere, but instead I fall asleep.

9:48 — I notice that the journalist sitting in front of me has a cool little computer/planner/organizer thing. Through the time-honored journalistic practice of looking over the guy's shoulder, I see that one of his tasks for Monday is to "call Elder Marlin K. Jensen." He is also supposed to call a guy named Troy. To me, it seems more likely that he will accomplish the second task than the first.

10:10 — During his talk, President James E. Faust mentions some cows that were starving on his grandfather's farm during the Depression. It occurs to me that I am also very hungry. "As hungry as a cow" seems like a good figure of speech to put into circulation.

10:13 — A cameraman from a certain Salt Lake TV station shows up, 13 minutes late and dressed like he's about to go paint someone's house. He sets up his camera, shoots approximately two seconds of tape, then packs up and leaves again. Maybe

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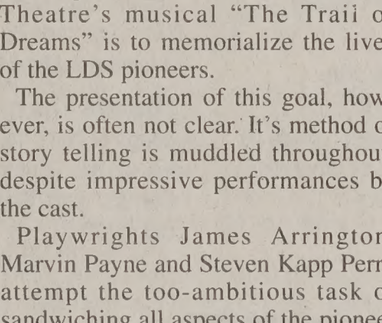

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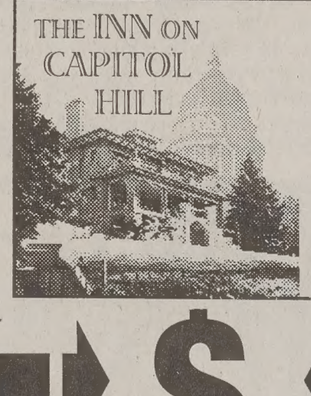

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he's going to get something to eat. Maybe he's "as hungry as a cow." (See? It works really well.)

10:29 — Elder Neal A. Maxwell makes a joke about his almost-bald head, and everyone laughs.

10:36 — Elder Maxwell makes another joke, but this one has a lot of big words in it, and only the smart people get it. I am not among them. I believe it is safe to say that neither is Adam, who is still trying to fix his press pass.

10:38 — Elder Maxwell quotes the apostle Paul about people who want to "eat, drink and be merry," and it occurs to me that I'm still hungry. "As hungry as a heathen" seems a little better than my previous attempt at a new colloquialism.

10:47 — Elder David E. Sorensen mentions "cattle" in some context. I briefly consider going back to the cow thing again, but decide against it.

11:02 — Sister Susan Lillywhite Warner begins to speak. I mean no disrespect toward Sister Warner, but how did "Lillywhite" become a name? Isn't "lilly-white" an unflattering way of describing a person? How did that make it to namehood, while "Pastywhite" and "Sissyboy" are still considered rude?

11:17 — Elder Richard G. Scott begins to speak — on morality, oddly enough. Listening to him is not nearly as terrifying in person as it is on TV, because in the Tabernacle, there's no way he can stare right at you, his words piercing your soul even when you haven't done anything wrong. (Well, I guess he COULD stare at you, but he could only stare at one person at a time, and what are the odds it would be you? I mean, come on. Quit being so paranoid, man.)

11:25 — Adam continues to work on his press pass, but it seems doubtful that he is going to repair it.

11:30 — Elder Scott counsels young men to go on missions, and young women to "follow the inspired counsel of President Hinckley in the October 1997 conference" on the subject of whether or not they should go on missions. If you are like most guys, you probably remember President Hinckley's counsel as being: "NO MORE SISTER MISSIONARIES!" However, that is not entirely accurate. (I believe his original quotation was not in all-caps.)

11:50 — The audience is surprised that President Hinckley has done a "question-and-answer" type of talk, and has even MENTIONED Larry King, and yet has not addressed the issues of President Clinton's immorality or the editing of "Titanic."

11:52 — Somewhere, for the 1,000,000th time, a journalist describes President Hinckley as "media-savvy."

11:58 — Conference ends and Adam's press pass is still broken. This is a major black eye for the NewsNet organization, even worse than last week, when we called all female BYU students "girls" in a graphic on the front page.

12:14 — We find the lunch provided by the church for all media personnel, and we gratefully partake. Good thing, because some of us were as hungry as ... oh, never mind.

Youth need role models, President Monson says

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President Thomas S. Monson admonished priesthood members Saturday to set examples and be role models.

"Our children are watching," said President Monson, first counselor in the First Presidency of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

President Monson related the story of a newly called bishop who declared, "The Aaronic Priesthood is a prime responsibility of ours."

President Monson reiterated the message to church members, saying bishops and bishops' counselors need to help ensure the progress and activity of Aaronic Priesthood members.

In another story recounted by President Monson, he told of a friend, Fritz, who falsified his age to enlist in World War II.

Shortly after joining the U.S. Navy, Fritz found himself aboard a ship that eventually went down in the heat of battle.

He survived, and as Fritz returned to his hometown, he again visited his priesthood quorum. When asked for advice he answered, "Never lie about your age, or anything else!"

According to President Monson, "The purposes of the Aaronic Priesthood are to help each person who is ordained:

- To become converted to the gospel of Jesus Christ and live by its teachings;
- To magnify priesthood callings and fulfill the responsibilities of his priesthood office;
- To give meaningful service;
- To prepare to receive the Melchizedek Priesthood and temple ordinances;
- To commit to, prepare for, and serve an honorable full-time mission;
- To prepare to become a worthy husband and father.

Serving throughout the world is a great missionary force, going about doing good. Missionaries teach truth. They dispel darkness. They spread joy. They bring precious souls to Christ."

Men around the world were told to be role models and examples to youth in and out of the church.

"Our youth need less criticism and more models to follow," President Monson said.

President Monson told priesthood leaders to "remember it isn't sufficient to assume that when you teach, the boy is listening to what you say."

President Monson illustrated the fact that people sometimes don't realize when they are being watched by telling a story of when he took his son Clark pheasant hunting.

In the middle of the hunt, when they were having little success, President Monson asked his son to unload his gun and join him in a prayer. Clark thought perhaps they would be praying for more pheasants, but instead the prayer was concerning Elder Richard L. Evans, who was gravely ill and, at noon on that very day, all of the members of the Quorum of the Twelve were praying for him.

Clark later recounted the story to a religion professor at BYU as one of the most memorable experiences related to his father. President Monson said he never realized the impact this experience had on his son.

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"Very simply stated, the great opportunity is to see that the lights of our temples burn early and late in the day," Bishop Burton said.

With the focus on new temples also came an emphasis on preparing for temple attendance. The general authorities encouraged members to be personally righteous.

"We pray that the people will be worthy to use them," President Hinckley said.

Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin, member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, said temple attendance gives individuals the power to resist temptation, honor covenants and obey God's commandments. Elder Wirthlin also encouraged members to cultivate Christlike attributes in preparation for the second coming of Christ.

"We should resolve to begin a new era of personal obedience to prepare for his return," he said.

The conference also focused on the importance of moral cleanliness in preparing to enter the temple. Elder Jeffrey R. Holland, member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, spoke on the importance of remaining morally clean so that youth will be worthy to make temple marriage covenants.

"In matters of human intimacy you must wait," he said. "You must wait until you can give everything, and you cannot give everything until you are legally and lawfully married."

The emphasis on preparation also extended to temporal matters. During the general priesthood session, President Hinckley said members should avoid debt and prepare their homes against a fragile economy.

"There is a portent of stormy weather ahead to which we had better give heed," he said.

President Hinckley said the church, which never operates on borrowed money, is concerned with the growing consumer debt around the world. According to President Hinckley, members should learn to live within their means.

"I urge you brethren to move to the condition of your finances," he said.

Along with instructions for preparation, many general authorities expressed optimism for the future. Elder Richard G. Scott, member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, told youth to be enthusiastic about the world despite its problems.

"Life is beautiful when you make an effort to find beauty in it," he said.

One of the more stirring moments in the conference involved Elder Neal A. Maxwell, member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, who has once again undergone chemotherapy for leukemia. Elder Maxwell focused his talk on the need to have hope in a world "burdened with cynicism."

"By pressing forward hopefully, we can, repeatedly and joyfully, stand on what was yesterday's distant horizon, thereby drawing even further hope from our very own experiences," Elder Maxwell said.

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instant warm welcome.

"I have been supported and encouraged, loved and tutored in my quorum from my very first day of membership in it," he said. "Consequently, I feel a deep desire to contribute to the work of the quorum and to assist my brethren as much as I can."

Third, Elder Christofferson discussed the role of the quorum as a service unit. The first Sunday of each month is dedicated to helping the quorum "learn their duties and plan their work," he said.

He shared the experience of George Goates, a beet farmer living in Lehi in the early 1900s. In only six days, George lost four members of his family. While preparing for the burials George was forced to neglect his farm. When he returned to his beet field days later, he found the field already harvested by the members of his priesthood quorum.

"I can imagine just such a meeting eighty years ago in Lehi, Utah, as elders laid a plan to harvest the sugar beets of their beleaguered brother, George Goates," he said.

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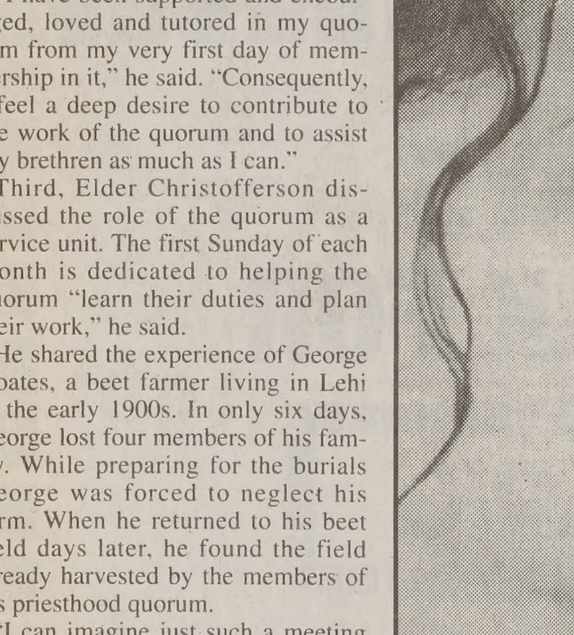

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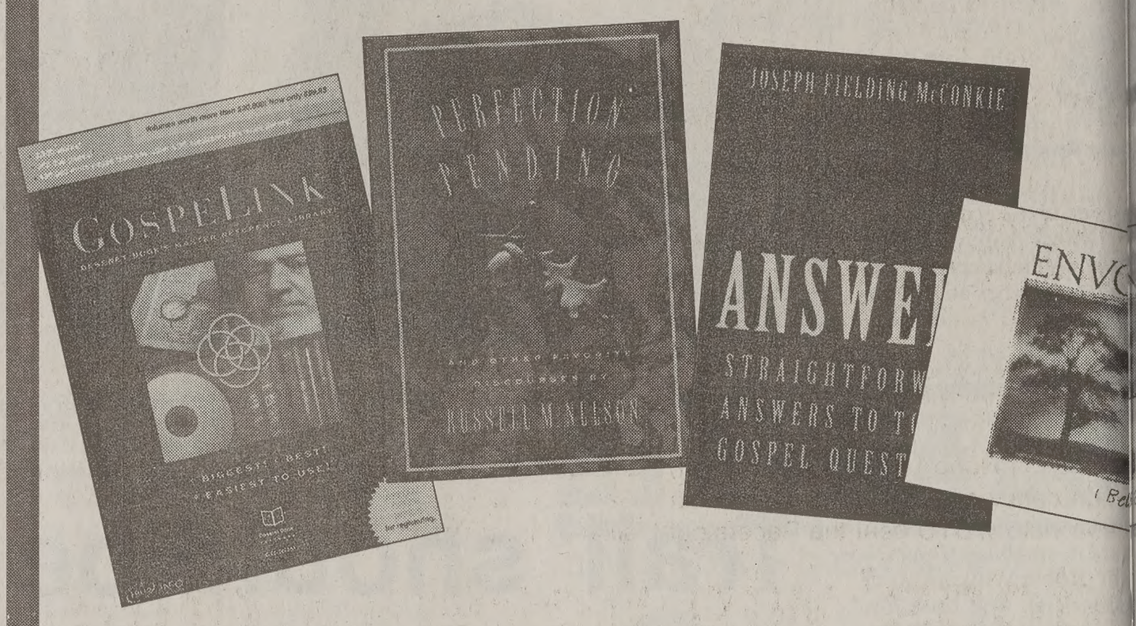

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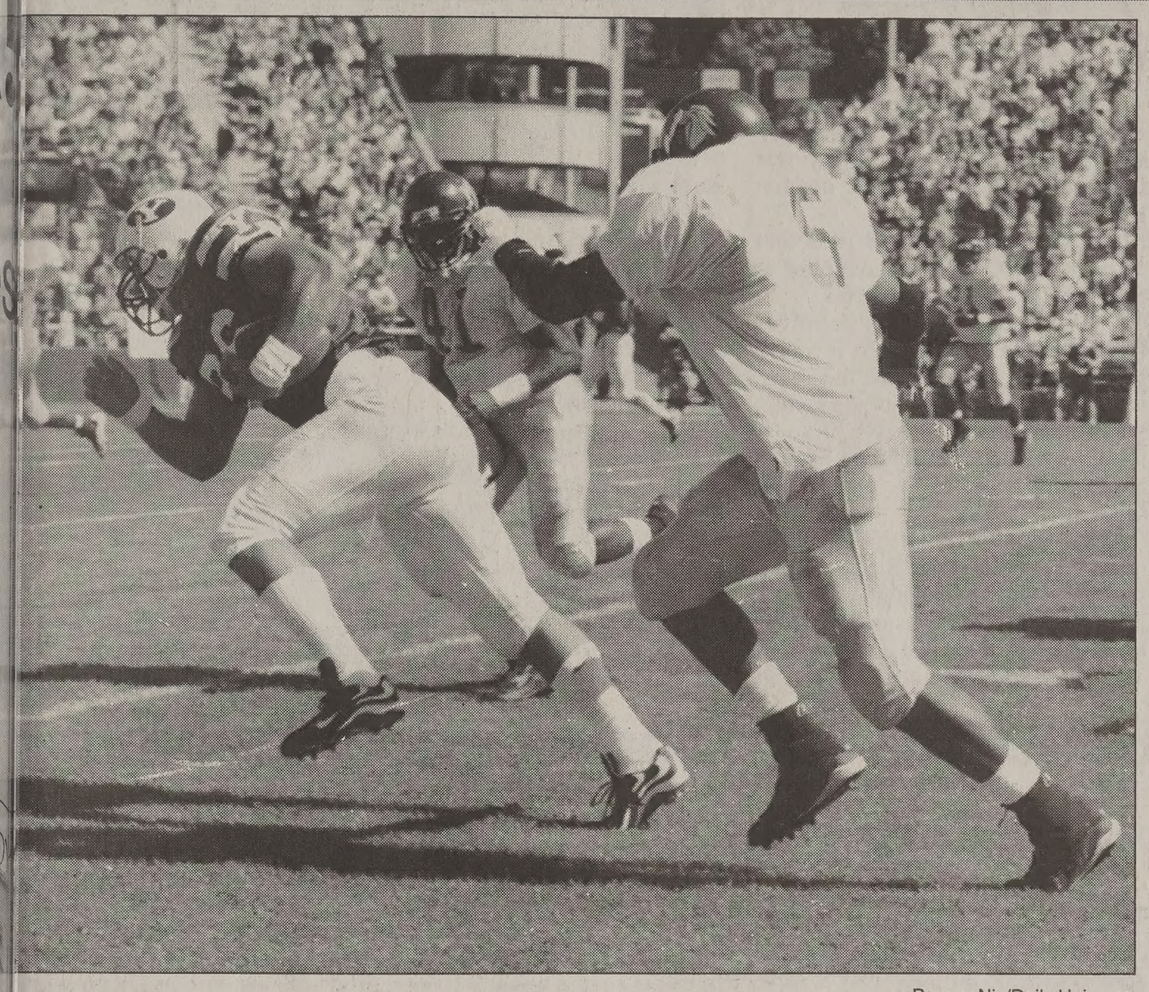

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end Carlos Nuno tries to escape from State defenders at Cougar Stadium in home victory. BYU beat the Racers but couldn't put away WAC opponent Fresno State Saturday in Fresno. Saturday's loss was BYU 's sixth consecutive road loss.

lldogs' win upsets Cougs

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te also countered BYU's strong defense. The iled up 363 offensive ling 172 rushing yards. rs' defense spent a lot of time on the field because of all the turnovers. This was evident in the near 10-minute disparity in time of possession.

"Defensively, we struggled," linebacker Rob Morris said. "We didn't do a good job."

The Bulldogs struck early, putting together an impressive 80-yard scoring drive. Quarterback Billy Volek got his third rushing touchdown of the season when he faked a play-action pass and ran in for the score to put Fresno up 7-0.

Then, the turnovers started to multiply like rabbits. On BYU's first possession, Mike Rigell fumbled the kickoff, and Fresno State took over at the 32-yard line. The Cougars also lost fumbles on their next two possessions, including Kevin Feterik's botched handoff attempt to Jenkins that the Bulldogs' Justin Johnson scooped up for a 23-yard touchdown run. At the end of the first quarter, the Bulldogs were in business, up 14-0.

The Cougars cut the lead to 14-7 on the first play of the second quarter. Jenkins found a seam up the middle and scored from eight yards out. The touchdown was set up when quarterback Drew Miller found a diving Margin Hooks for a 44-yard pass reception to the 8-yard line.

Jenkins finished with 26 carries for 126 yards and one touchdown. It was his third best career rushing game.

Fresno State then added a 31-yard field goal and a 20-yard touchdown reception by Rodney Wright to close out the scoring in the first half.

Miller provided some offensive fireworks for BYU in the second half. On BYU's first play from scrimmage in the third quarter, Miller connected with tight end Carlos Nuno for a 58-yard scoring pass to trim the deficit to 24-14.

"It was a nice ball Drew threw me," Nuno said. "I was lucky enough to be open and catch that ball."

Nuno started for the injured Tevita Ofahengaue and finished with three receptions for 80 yards.

BYU closed the gap even further. Heshi Robertson scrambled 72 yards for a score after Brian Gray blocked the Bulldogs' 44-yard field goal attempt, trimming the lead to 24-21 with 2:28 left in the third quarter. But that was as close as the Cougars would get.

Fresno sealed the win when Volek found Wright on a 39-yard touchdown pass through the BYU secondary to extend the lead to 31-21 in the

man's volleyball smothers Utes

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women's volleyball team versity of Utah singing llowing Friday night's he Crimson Court.

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nd) was right behind us during most of the game," Layton said. "You couldn't even hear the calls. It was cool for them, but ..."

"The place was crazy," Smith said.

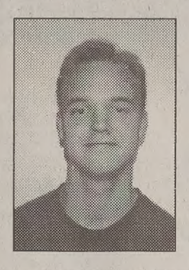
Layton said the entire team has improved throughout the season. She also said she was pleased with the way she hit the ball against Utah.

BYU is looking forward to tonight's match with Idaho State, Michaelis said.

"They (Idaho State) had a rebuilding year last season," Michaelis said. "They should be a little bit better this year."

The Idaho State match will be Michaelis' 1000th career college match. BYU Sports Information said Michaelis is currently is second in the nation in college coaching victories.

Deja BYU: '97 nightmare lives on



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Universe Sports Editor

So I'm kicking back with the fellas, throwing down a few cold root beers watching the BYU-Fresno State game Saturday night.

In other words, I subjected myself to 3 1/2 hours of torturous viewing experience. I realized my worst fears, ones that I hadn't dared to mention previously in public — that this football season is shaping up to be just like last year's season of frustration. I watched as my personal level of happiness, which is intricately connected to the football team's performance, slipped beyond anger, hate and pain to just placid dullness.

We lost to winless Fresno State. Close losses to Alabama and Washington were alright. You know, the team looked alright losing to those nationally prominent foes. But this is Fresno State. They lost to Nevada a week ago.

Obviously, I've got a lot of venom built up, and I need to spew a little. A few observations are in order.

1-So I guess all of you who were chanting Drew Miller's name against Murray State are feeling pretty stupid now, huh? First of all, that chant made no sense even before the Fresno game. What were you basing your decision on?

As a freshman last year, Miller threw more interceptions than touchdowns. He got sacked for a safety on his first play, and he led the team to that memorable 14-3 loss to UTEP. So obviously, you couldn't have been chanting Miller's name because you thought he was some great prospect. No, you just wanted Kevin Feterik out. You wanted change for the sake of change. You're the same people who chanted for Feterik a year ago when Paul Shoemaker struggled.

Judging on the coaches' decision to start Miller in the second half against Fresno, he apparently is the man now. But he did nothing to earn it. He went 6-of-15 for 141 yards. His one touchdown pass was underthrown by at least 10 yards. He burns timeouts like they spring from a magical well that can never be exhausted.

2-Scrap the two-quarterback system. I mean, come on, when has switching quarterbacks in and out ever worked? There are a few examples of programs that have had minimal success, but in almost every case, going with one guy is the way to do it.

BYU just has to look at its own history to realize the futility of quarterback job-sharing.

Look at last year's Feterik-Shoemaker-Miller debacle. Even further back, look at Marc Wilson and Jim McMahon back a couple decades ago. Both were NFL quarterbacks, but both struggled when they split time at BYU.

Splitting time, no one has a chance to get in a groove. No one fosters any confidence. Quarterbacks are worrying about playing badly and getting pulled instead of getting the offense going.

And if it is decided that the time-share method is the way to go, don't put in a guy who hasn't played for 2 1/2 quarters to direct the most important drive of the game late in the fourth quarter. That's not fair to either guy. Feterik was cold from sitting for more than half the game, while the message Miller gets is the coaches don't trust him with the game on the line.

3-Maybe if Feterik threatens to transfer this week, he'll get more playing time against UNLV. You know, raise a fuss in the middle of the season and maybe the coaches will pay more attention to him.

I realize the whole Miller situation was blown out of proportion and played up by the media. Still, as the saying goes, the squeaky wheel gets the grease. Maybe Feterik should speak up.

4-And finally, don't lose to sorry WAC teams ever again.

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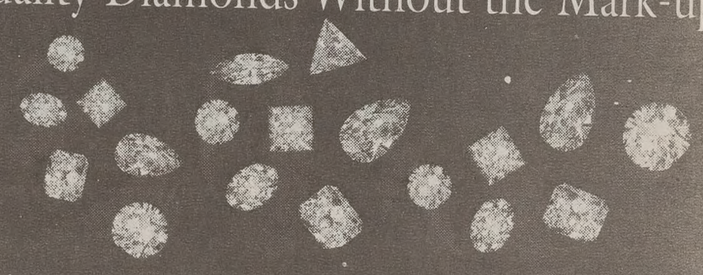

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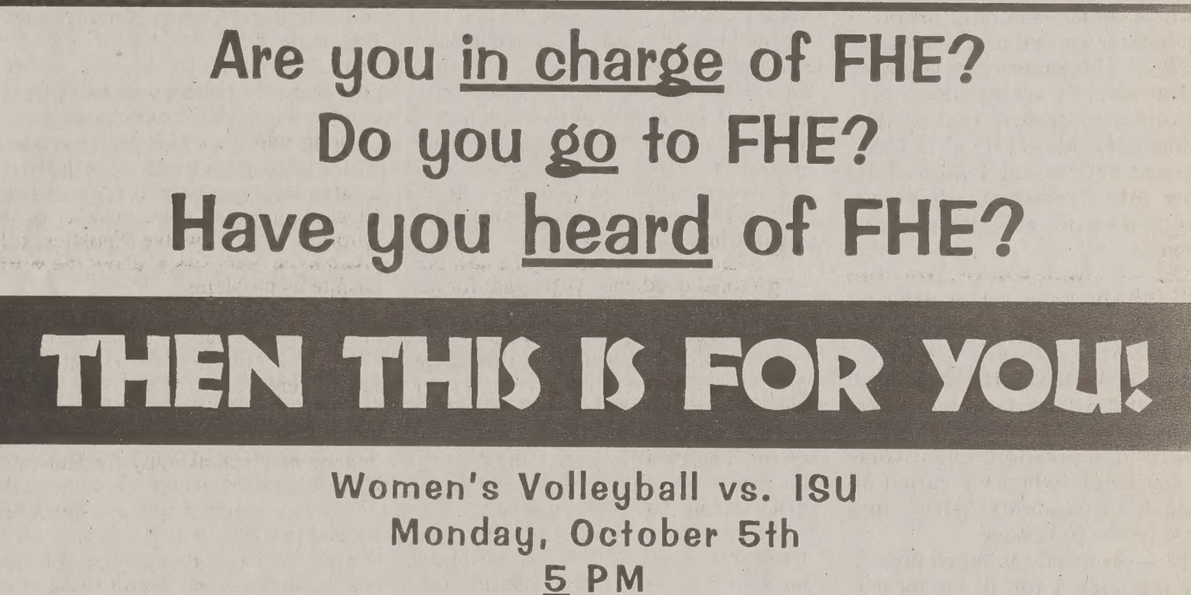

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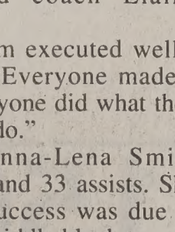

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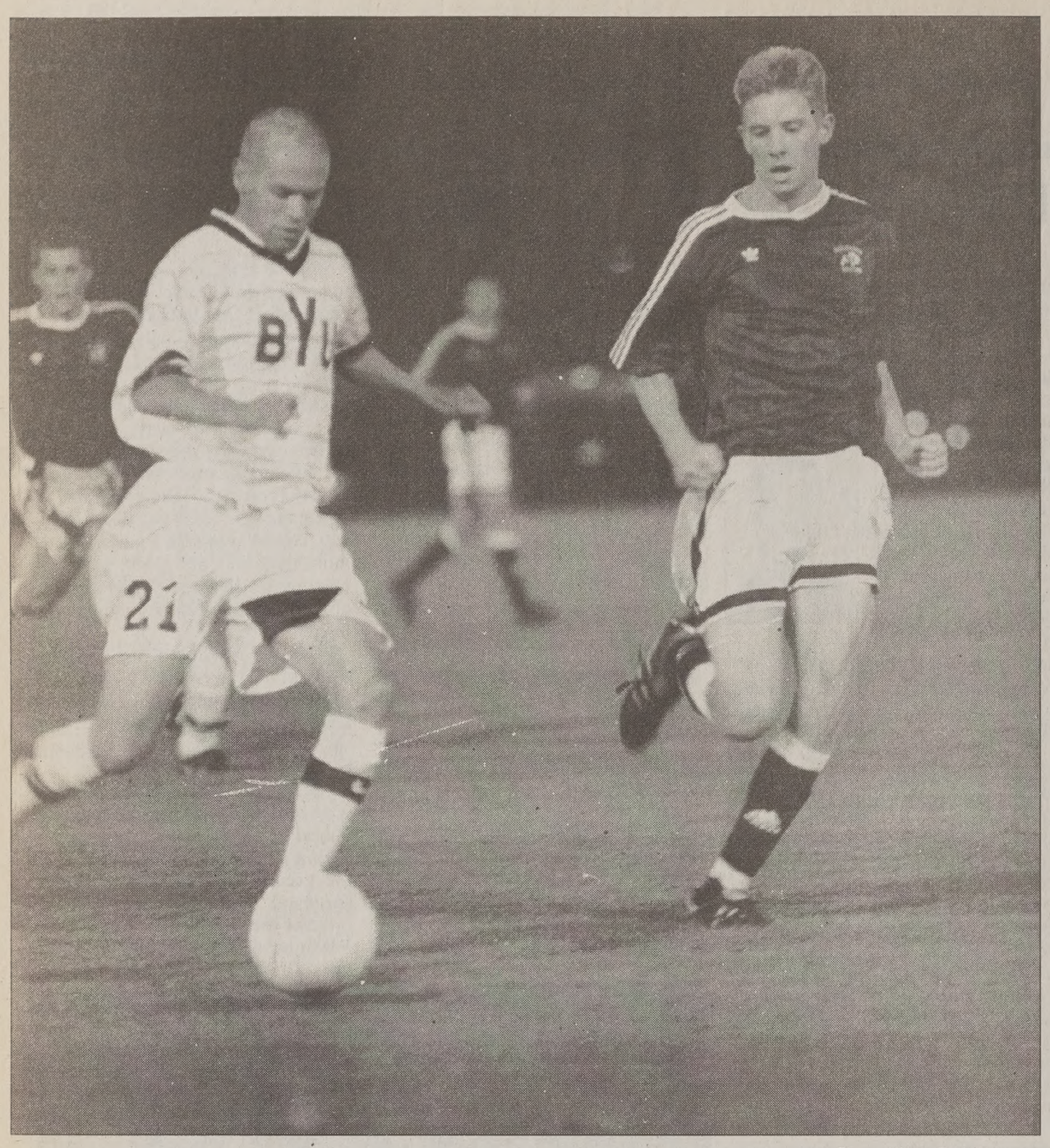

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With a Colorado player closing in, a BYU player gets ready to pull the trigger during Friday's game at South Field. BYU beat the Buffaloes 4-0, but could only manage a 2-2 tie against the Weber State Wildcats in Ogden Saturday. The Cougars play the Wildcats again Oct. 23 at South Field.

Men's soccer gets win, tie

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You win some, you tie some. And sometimes, you do both.

Men's soccer cruised to a 4-0 victory over the Colorado Buffaloes Friday night, but barely escaped with a 2-2 tie Saturday in Ogden against the Weber State Wildcats.

Not even legendary coach Phil Jackson of the Chicago Bulls could help the struggling Buffaloes on Friday at South Field. Jackson was on hand to cheer for his son Ben, who plays for the Colorado soccer team.

Before the game began, BYU assistant coach Mike Bodon told the Cougars to concentrate on their defensive play.

"I'll tell you a secret. If you play defense, the rest will take care of itself," Bodon said.

The players must have taken his advice to heart.

The Cougars used a stifling defense to create a fast transition attack that seemed to leave the Buffaloes frustrated and confused most of the night.

A bad decision by Colorado's goalkeeper led to BYU's first score. Instead of controlling a ball passed to him by a defender, the Buffalo goalie kicked it back into play.

Freshman forward Brandon LeRoy intercepted the ball, and then slotted it through the Buffalo defense to freshman midfielder Chad Deshler. Deshler quickly introduced the ball to the back of Colorado's net to put BYU up 1-0.

Colorado managed to keep BYU from scoring the rest of the first half, but the Cougar offense exploded in the second.

With 43:36 left in the game, Deshler got the ball deep in Buffalo territory. When the defense converged on him, Deshler crossed it to open junior forward Ryan Hawkins. Hawkins then delivered a perfect pass to freshman midfielder Matt Walker, who wasted no time making it 2-0.

"Hawkins laid it out for me perfect, and it was just a wide open net after that," Walker said.

Hawkins and senior defender Abe Millet each added another goal before the end of the game to seal the Cougar victory.

Saturday's game vs. Weber State was a different story altogether. After a day of steady rain, the Weber State field was better suited for mud wrestling than soccer.

"It took us a few minutes to get used to the conditions and the field," said sophomore defender Nate Smith.

Fifteen minutes into the game, LeRoy beat two Wildcat defenders and then divided the rest of the defense with a pass to sophomore forward Nate Lowe. Lowe's shot put the Cougars up 1-0.

With 20 minutes left to play, Weber State tied the game by heading in a long free kick. Then, with 10 minutes to go, the Wildcats took the lead on a similar play. This time the Cougars prevented the header, but Weber State still managed to score when the ball wound up before a Wildcat standing in front of the Cougar net.

With a minute left, a long Cougar throw-in made it to senior defender Nate Morris in the middle. Morris headed the ball over a Wildcat defender to freshman defender Chad Oyler, who volleyed it into the net.

The game went to overtime, but neither team could score again.

Junior midfielder Arthur VanWagonon said the Cougars are looking forward to playing Weber State again Oct. 23 at South Field.

"Everyone was disappointed we didn't win," Van Wagonon said. "We let them back in the game. There's a wider width down at South Field in Provo where we can get back at them."

Cross Country excels at Stanford

Women beat Cardinal, Men finish second

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The Stanford cross country team is probably getting used to seeing blue.

BYU's women separated themselves from Stanford by a big 36-point margin winning Saturday's Stanford Invitational 54-90.

The men also made their presence known, finishing second to the Cardinal 23-68.

According to women's head coach Patrick Shane, the Cougars' margin of victory was unexpected.

"I was quite frankly surprised that we won by so much," he said.

The women's impressive score was bolstered by strong performances from the team's top-four runners.

Senior Maggie Chan led the Cougars with a time 17:03 in the 5000-kilometer race.

Chan was followed by freshman Laura Heiner (17:03), freshman Tara Rohatinsky (17:08) and junior Elizabeth Jackson (17:11).

It was another strong race for Chan, who Shane said is having a "stellar year."

Chan, who wanted to avoid being passed on the final stretch, said last week's experience in Montana helped her run a stronger race.

"This time, I had the experience from last week," she said. "I just kept reminding myself what I did wrong."

Although the Cougars did register some impressive times, Shane said the team has to improve its collective performance.

"We won by a lot, but I'm not sure we ran well," he said. "We are still not stroking it as a team."

The men seemed to share the same sentiments.

While falling well short of the top-ranked Cardinal in the scoring column, the Cougars posted some impressive individual times in the 8000-kilometer race.

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> *Head coach,*
> *Women's Cross Country*

Junior Randon Richards placed third overall with a time of 24:40. Junior Jeff Wilson also stayed below the 25-minute mark registering a time of 24:54.

Stanford's Gabe Jennings led the competition with a time of 24:30 while teammate Jason Balkman crossed the finish line second at 24:32.

Richards, who stayed on the heels of Jennings and Balkman for the entire race, said performing well against stiff competition gave him confidence in the team.

"Being up there and feeling comfortable, it really opened my eyes to the potential we have," he said.

Richards also provided some inspiration for his teammates. Wilson said focusing in on the front-runners helped improve his own performance.

"My goal is to stay with the leaders," he said.

"I did the best that I could to do that, and it pulled me to a better race."

The team may have tacked up another strong time on the board had junior Matt Poulsen not been forced to drop out of the race.

Poulsen left after two miles because of cramping in his leg.

Richards said the team took a hit with Poulsen's absence.

"Once you are a team leader, your team really depends on you," Richards said.

Wilson said Poulsen's departure meant the loss of a probable top-5 finish that would have helped BYU's score.

"We did well without him, but it definitely took something away from the team," he said.

"We would have been closer to Stanford."

Both the men and the women will now prepare to play the role of the host.

BYU will hold the annual Autumn Classic a week from Saturday at East Bay Golf Course.

Shane said the meet will be instrumental in determining the runners

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Women beat Bears

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A last second shot by senior All-American Shauna Rohbock earned BYU's women's soccer team a 4-3 victory over the University of California at Berkeley Friday night at Berkeley.

Rohbock's goal from 18 yards out came with 11 seconds remaining in the game and snapped a 3-3 tie.

BYU head coach Jennifer Rockwood felt good about the way her team played, but said the score was not a true reflection of the game.

"The game was closer than it should have been because we had the momentum most of the game," she said.

BYU took the lead early when sophomore midfielder Sara Reading scored. Berkeley responded with a goal by Ryan McManus off a corner-kick to tie the game at 1-1.

Berkeley moved out to a 2-1 lead when Amy Balavac scored, but BYU came out strong in the second half.

Junior forward Maren Hendershot scored off an assist from Karen Robbins to tie the game, and Reading's second goal of the night put the Cougars ahead. Reading scored off a corner kick from Robbins.

With seven minutes remaining in the game, the Golden Bears evened the score when Tami Pivnick netted a penalty kick.

It looked like the teams were headed to overtime, but Rohbock's ninth goal of the season secured the victory for the Cougars.

"We played very well and especially came out strong in the second half," Rockwood said. "This was a great win for us."

The loss for the Golden Bears dropped their record to 4-5. The Cougars are 8-2.

BYU remains in California for a game at Stanford tonight. The Cardinal No. 15 in the nation.

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Baseball ready for AL, NL championsh

Associated Press

San Diego 6 Houston 1

SAN DIEGO — The San Diego Padres are going back to the NL championship series after a 14-year absence, thanks in large part to new hero Jim Leyritz.

And the Big Unit is not going to make it to the World Series as many thought, because the Padres beat Randy Johnson and the Houston Astros 6-1 Sunday night to clinch the tense division series three games to one.

With the crowd of 64,898 hanging on every pitch, Leyritz hit his third homer in as many games and 27-year-old Sterling Hitchcock was dominating in his first playoff start, using a devastating split-fingered fastball to strike out 11 in six innings.

Johnson lost his fifth straight decision in the postseason, tying a major league record. He left for a pinch-hitter in the seventh, and reliever Jay Powell gave up pinch-hitter John Vander Wal's two-run triple and Wally Joyner's two-run homer in the eighth.

Trevor Hoffman closed out the ninth for the Padres, who move on to face the Atlanta Braves in the NL championship series starting Wednesday night at Turner Field. Atlanta won five of nine from the Padres this year.

New York 4 Texas 0

ARLINGTON, Texas — Darryl Strawberry encouraged his New York Yankees teammates to "get 'em." Thanks to Shane Spencer, they did - eventually.

Inspired by a videotaped pep talk from their cancer-stricken slugger, the Yankees outlasted a rain delay of more than three hours to beat the Texas Rangers 4-0 early Saturday for a three-game sweep their AL division series.

Spencer hit a three-run homer and Paul O'Neill had a solo shot in the top of the sixth to put New York ahead. David Cone retired the first two batters in the bottom half of the inning before play was stopped at 10:08 p.m. EDT.

The game didn't resume until 1:24 a.m. EDT and ended at 2:26 a.m.

More than two inches of rain fell during the three-hour, 16-minute holdup, which threatened to cause the first suspended game in postseason history. Plans had been made to resume the game, if halted, on Saturday at 1:07 p.m. EDT. Around 5,000 of the 49,950 fans remained and were as loud as the full house had been.

The 3-0 start to the postseason enhances New York's claim to being one of baseball's greatest teams ever. The Yankees won an AL-record 114 games in the regular season and are eight victories from a second World Series championship in three years.

New York plays the winner of the Boston-Cleveland series in the AL championship series, starting Tuesday night at Yankee Stadium.

Cleveland 2 Boston 1

BOSTON — Boston manager Jimy Williams' first questionable pitching decision kept the Red Sox in the game. His last one helped the Cleveland Indians reach the AL championship series.

After being shut out on two hits by starter Pete Schourek for 5 1-3 innings, the Indians rallied to win Game 4 Saturday when David Justice hit a two-run double off Tom Gordon in the eighth for a 2-1 victory.

Gordon, who finished the season with a major league-record 43 consecutive saves, had not been brought in to start the eighth all season.

The defending league champion Indians won the series 3-1 and moved into the ALCS for the third time in four years. The opponent: the seemingly invincible Yankees starting Tuesday night in New York. Last year, Cleveland beat New York in the first round of the playoffs.

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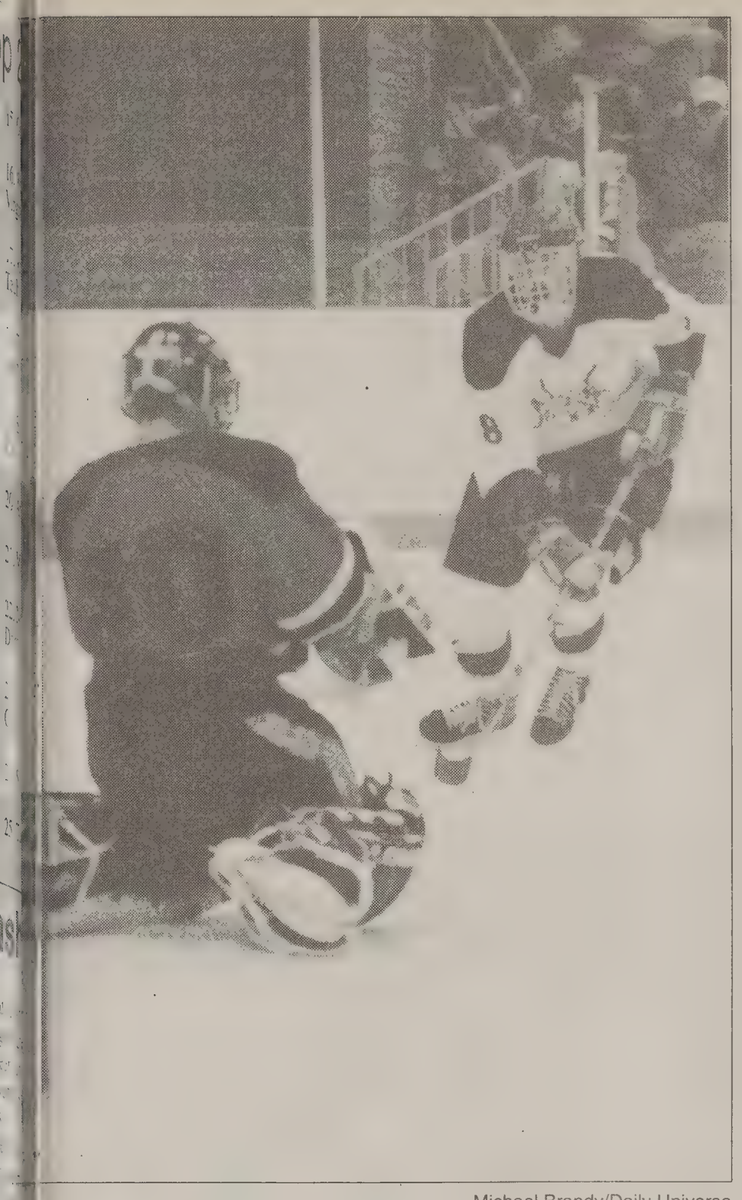

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of Utah goalie Kyle Holcombe drops to his knees to stop Dahle from scoring in Saturday night's game. But Utah a prayer. Dahle helped the IceCats win 9-0.

NHL 'gets jiggy with it' at E Center exhibition

Shawn Burr (bottom) of the Los Angeles Kings gets mauled by Ian Laperriere (right) of the San Jose Sharks in Saturday night's NHL exhibition game at the E Center in West Valley City.

The Utah crowd erupted throughout the evening as the pros "went at it" keeping the fans well entertained with excellent play, aggressive skating and plenty of penalties.

Players from the Kings and Sharks stopped to watch the action as did the referees, who later sent Burr and Laperriere to the penalty box for fighting.

The game went into overtime with the Kings coming out on top after the Kings' Glen Murray spied teammate Nathan LaFayette streaking behind the Sharks' defense. LaFayette's goal assisted by Murray with 22 seconds left was the nail in the coffin. The Kings beat the Sharks 2-1.

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Head coach Ryan Schmidt said a big factor in the Cats' play was the presence of the returning players and the tempo they insisted on throughout the game — regardless of the points.

"The leaders did a really good job of making sure we played 60 minutes of hockey by not getting complacent and thinking the game was over after we got up by a few goals," Schmidt said.

As BYU returned 10 starters this year and drafted well in the off season, it appears to be a bigger and faster unit from last year's squad.

"We are probably a little bit bigger," Schmidt said. "I'd say we're probably an inch taller and 10-15 pounds heavier on average."

BYU's Brucker is a good example. The Cats' goalie stands near 6 feet 3 inches and weighs well over 200 pounds. "By our standards (collegiate), he's by far the biggest goalie in the league," Schmidt said.

Although this game was extremely physical and hard fought, the Cats' have yet to be tested. Schmidt said the Cats' have a lot of hard work to do regardless of what happened over the weekend. The threat? Powerhouse schools Utah State and Weber State.

"We've stepped up our ability a little bit. But we have a lot of hard work to do because of Utah State and Weber State," Schmidt said." At one point last year, both of the Utah schools were ranked Nos. 1 and 2 in the nation in Division II play.

Lacrosse prepares for start of season

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The BYU men's lacrosse club team padded up, laced up and brushed out the cobwebs for its annual Blue and Black intrasquad scrimmage at Helaman Field Friday.

Most of last year's national championship runner-up team is returning and coach Jason Lamb is optimistic about the way things are going after just four weeks of practice.

"I'd be insane not to expect a little rust, but we're doing the right things mentally," Lamb said. " Overall, this is as good as we've looked this early in the season."

Ten seconds into the match, the JV team drew first blood on a quick shot at point-blank range. But the varsity team's experience prevailed and the match turned into a lopsided offensive showcase. An official tally of goals was not kept, but the team division was obviously weighted.

Lamb said he was pleased with the display of firepower. He said he was also watching for how well the varsity team would implement a new "sliding" defense.

"Our offense is clicking," Lamb said. "We're scoring all we want. Our defense is playing well. At first we were a little unstable, but as time goes on, we'll get better. I'm happy with it."

Midfielder Scott Winterton, a senior from Reston, Va., said scoring wasn't a problem. The defense is where the work will be, he said.

"We've never had trouble scoring goals and the offense is the same as last year," Winterton said. "As a defense, we want to push their offense to specific spots on the field. Then a slide man comes to help. As a slide man, you always know exactly where to go."

The new trapping style differs from last year where a designated slide man would come to trap. Winterton said the concept this year is to be more team oriented on defense.

Jon Lee, a senior defenseman from Vienna, Va., said the defensive strategy is difficult, but shows some promise.

"It's really team oriented," Lee said. "You have to think a lot. I don't think coach would say we're all the way there. I'm the only senior. (My role is) making sure everyone's in the right place. It's coming along."

Jon said he expected a somewhat one-sided game and his younger brother, Mike Lee, was one factor in that outcome.

"He had like four goals. He's very good," Jon Lee said. "You expect it to be lopsided, but we just want a game situation to see how well we've been practicing."

Denver, Buffalo get wins

Associated Press

Denver 41 Eagles 16

DENVER — Philadelphia coach Ray Rhodes was horrified when he watched videotape of the Denver Broncos scoring 35 first-half points against Dallas three weeks ago. On Sunday, he experienced it first-hand.

Bubby Brister, starting at quarterback while John Elway rested his ailing right hamstring and lower back, threw four touchdown passes, and Terrell Davis ran for 168 yards and two scores as the Broncos routed the Eagles 41-16.

The defending Super Bowl champion Broncos (5-0) built a 35-2 halftime lead and 41-2 advantage after three quarters before Charlie Garner ran for a pair of 3-yard scores in the final period for the winless Eagles (0-5).

Davis, the NFL's leading rusher, had 120 yards and both of his touchdowns in the first quarter and finished the half with 168 yards. He sat out the second half.

Brister, who made his second straight start, completed 16 of 29 passes for 203 yards.

Buffalo 26 San Francisco 21

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Steve Young and San Francisco's offense were finally shut down — by the most unlikely opponent, the lowly Buffalo Bills.

Rob Johnson overshadowed his counterpart, completing 19 of 27 passes for 254 yards and one touchdown to lead the Bills to a 26-21 victory Sunday.

The 49ers (3-1) entered the game ranked first in the NFL in rushing, passing and total offense, but were held to just 56 yards passing and 105 total yards in the first half. Their second-half comeback ended when they couldn't recover the onside kick after Young had hit J.J. Stokes with a 21-yard TD pass with 1:03 left.

The Bills entered the contest with just one victory in their last 10 games, worst in the league over that span, but they dominated the suddenly mistake-prone 49ers from the beginning.

kees pay visit to Strawberry after surgery

Associated Press

RK — Hearing the good ndhand wasn't good half a dozen New York sited Darryl Strawberry a day after a cancerous removed from the out- ion.
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Hershon told them doctors believe the cancer had not spread, but they won't know for sure until tests come back in about 10 days. Doctors removed a 16-inch portion of Strawberry's large intestine to get rid of a tumor almost 2 1/2 inches long.

"I think we felt a lot better because everything came out well," Tino Martinez said. "There's a lot of relief around here. Our thoughts are still with him, but there's a lot better feeling around here."

Strawberry remained in stable condition Sunday. He is expected to remain in the hospital for about a week.

"He's doing well. His family is with him," Columbia-Presbyterian spokeswoman Szuping Di said.

Strawberry also got a visit from George Steinbrenner, who didn't make it clear whether he went Saturday, Sunday or both.

"I was with him all day," Steinbrenner said at Yankee Stadium without elaborating.

The Yankees were shaken when they learned last Thursday that Strawberry had a cancerous tumor.

New York manager Joe Torre, who also visited the 36-year-old outfielder, predicted Strawberry's illness will increase the awareness of colon cancer among the Yankees.

"Knowing George Steinbrenner, there'll be very thorough exams," Torre said. "I have a feeling we're going to have more exhaustive physicals."

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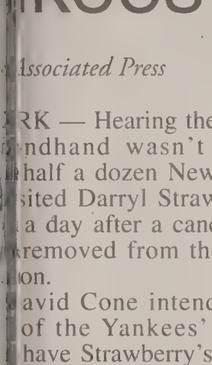
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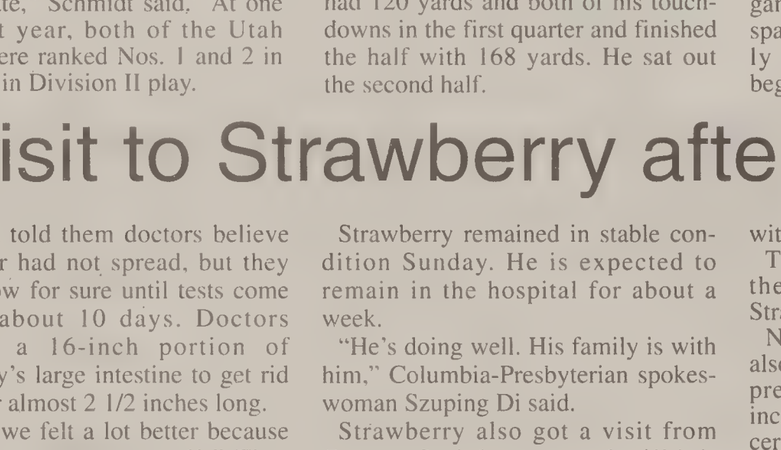

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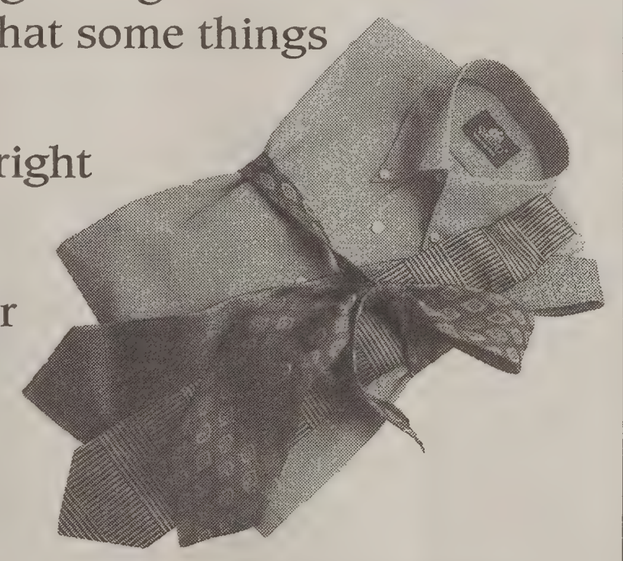

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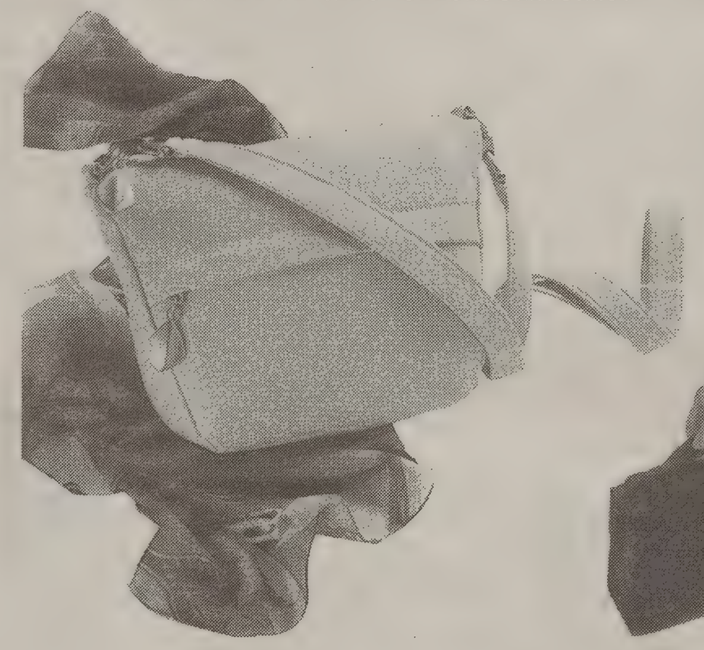

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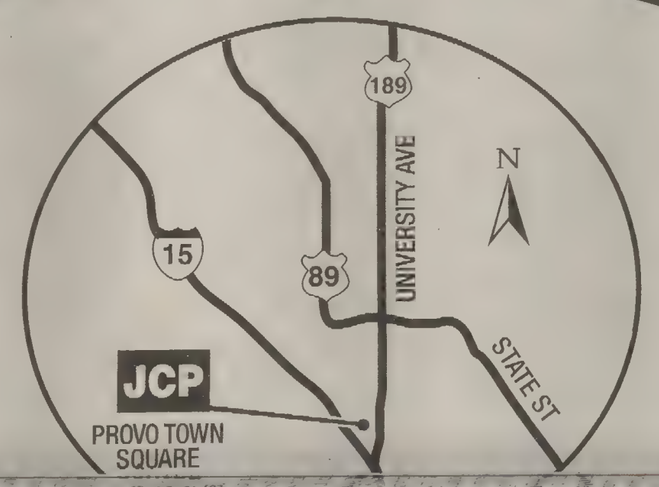

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der Ballard urges members to increase temple work

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l Russell Ballard, a member of the f the Twelve Apostles, said church eed to increase temple work to pre- the great and dreadful day of the

y is steadily moving toward us, and ll much to be done. We must be pre- eep pace with our leaders, stride for lengthened stride. Perhaps as never need to focus our efforts on those t matter most and avoid spending ose things of small concern and of equence," Elder Ballard said.

t Hinckley sets an example that urch members try to follow.

sident is dynamically out in front he way. The question we must all ves is, 'Are we keeping pace with him?'" Elder Ballard said.

Church members are a vital part of doing the temple work required of this dispensation.

Elder Ballard related an experience of President Wilford Woodruff after the death of President Joseph Smith. President Smith visited President Woodruff and told him "every dispensation that has had the priesthood on the earth and has gone into the Celestial Kingdom has had a certain amount of work to do to prepare to go to earth with the Savior when he goes to reign on the earth. Each dispensation has had ample time to do this work. We have not. We are on the last dispensation, and so much work has to be done, and we need to be in a hurry to accomplish it."

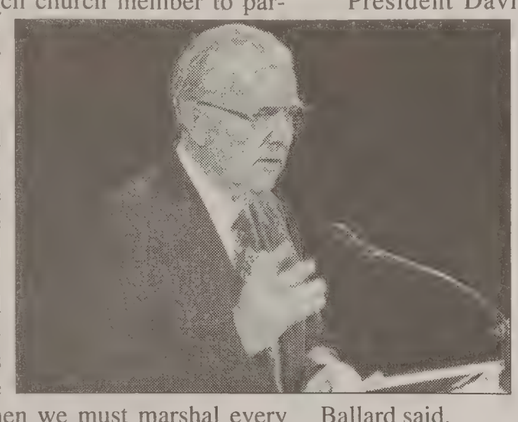
Temples are quickly being built throughout the world to meet the high demands of our dispensation. As the smaller temples are built, church members previously unable to attend the temple are finally provided the opportunity to visit the House of the Lord.

President Hinckley continues to motivate church members to regularly attend the temple and perform sacred ordinances.

"President Hinckley is doing all that he can to accelerate the work. He is traveling the world to an unprecedented degree to strengthen and edify the saints and to urge them upward and onward. He has made himself available to the world media in order to share the message of the restoration with the widest possible audience. And he is overseeing the most extensive era of temple building in history in an attempt to speed up our ability to accomplish the overwhelming amount of work we have been assigned to complete in this dispensation," Elder Ballard said.

"As you know, President Hinckley's stated goal is to have at least 100 temples in operation by the end of the century. Knowing the President as I do, I am sure that that goal will be met if not exceeded!" Elder Ballard said.

As temples become more accessible, church members are encouraged to prepare themselves to attend temples and perform sacred ordinances. The Quorum of the Twelve Apostles wants each church member to partake of the blessings of regular temple attendance said Elder Ballard.



But converts and less-active members should not be excluded from the temple-preparation process.

"Brothers and sisters, while wonderful progress has been made, the time has come when we must marshal every resource to fellowship every convert and bless the lives of many more of our Heavenly Father's children," Elder Ballard said.

Prophets throughout the dispensations have encouraged church members to work harder and become more like Christ.

"President David O. McKay encouraged every member to be a missionary. President Spencer W. Kimball urged us to lengthen our stride. President Howard W. Hunter affirmed:

'We are at a time in the history of the world and the growth of the Church when we must think more of holy things and act more like the Savior would expect his disciples to act," Elder Ballard said.

President Ballard concluded his remarks by bearing witness of the living Christ and the blessings of eternal temple ordinances.

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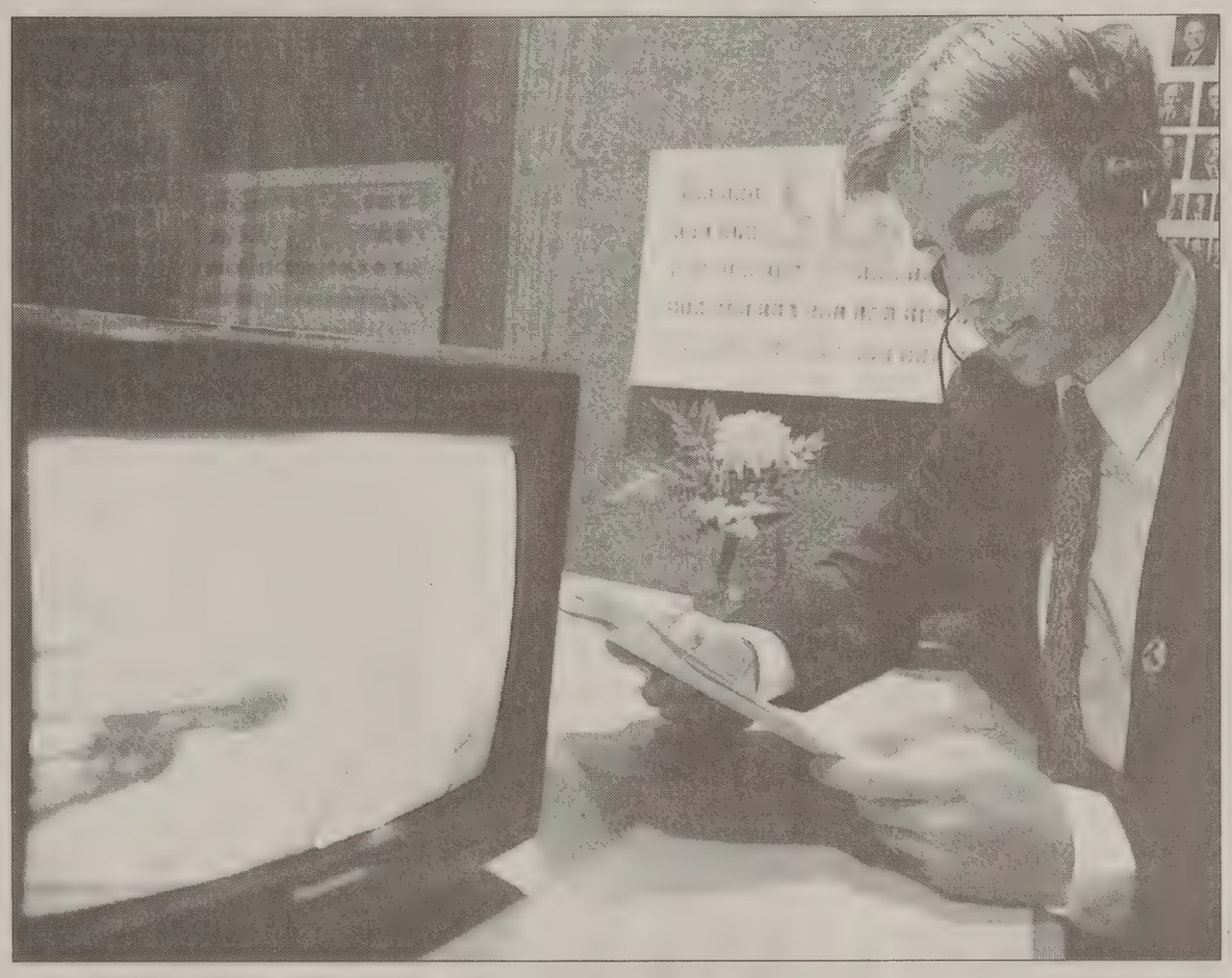

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Jeff Scott, a senior from Nashville, Tenn majoring in finance translates President Gordon B. Hinckley's talk from English to Vietnamese, Saturday. There are somewhere between 325 to 350 interpreters involved in translating 35 different languages at conference. Translators usually rotate turns with each talk.

Not all conference sessions are available in all 35 languages. Pe'a said 28 translated languages are available for the Saturday morning session, 24 for the Saturday afternoon session, 26 for the Priesthood session, 35 for the Sunday morning session and 25 for the Sunday afternoon session.

According to Pe'a, translations are requested by the area presidencies. "... The brethren will review that request, and if approved upon, then we are given ... the que to go ahead and prepare teams to provide the translation or interpretation of conference in that language."

"The translators cannot be seen. All you hear is their voice. The translators are in translation booths, which are located underneath the tabernacle," Rascon said.

Grzegorz Pawlik, translator for the Polish language, has been translating for general conference since October 1994.

Pawlik said, "Each talk I translate, I have to read many times, and I have to really think about the meaning ... (and) about what they are saying so I can translate it correctly. ... After each conference, I have ... two or three talks almost memorized, and I think I can understand them very well .... That's ... the greatest benefit for me."

"The bad thing is that sometimes there's no time to listen to other talks ...," Pawlik said. "But we can read them later."

Yvon LeBras, translator for the French language, has been translating general conference for twenty years.

LeBras said one of the most challenging parts of translating conference is when the script is not provided or when it is provided shortly before the talk begins.

Pe'a said, "(For) 26 of languages, ... we send our area offices the talks by e-mail, they translate the talks, and then they e-mail back to us the transcripts of the translation. ... Those transcripts (are then given) to our interpreters, and that's what they deliver here in conference. ... They read off a translation script coming from the area."

Pe'a said this conference session is the first time translations have been done on "a world-wide basis." Translations for previous sessions have all been done in the U.S.

Pe'a also said, "The languages of Swahili and Ukrainian will be recorded on a "pilot basis." This means the area presidencies will evaluate the translation tapes and "see if this is something that they want to include for the membership of the church in (Ukrainian- and) Swahili-speaking areas."

Love, example, testimony, needed says Elder Eyring

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Elder Henry B. Eyring of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles said members have been called to warn others with love, example and testimony in the Saturday afternoon session.

"Because the Lord is kind, he calls servants to warn people of danger. That call to warn is made harder and more important by the fact that the warnings of most worth are about dangers that people don't yet think are real."

He quoted Doctrine and Covenants 88:81; "Behold, I sent you out to testify and warn the people, and it becometh every man who hath been warned to warn his neighbor," and said the charge falls on all who have accepted the covenant of baptism.

The Lord would not use the word "warn" if there is no danger, yet many in society ignore the signs, he said.

"The danger may be hard to see, but it is real, both for them and for us."

At some moment everyone will know what members of the Church know now, Elder Eyring said.

"They will know that the only way to live forever in association with our families and in the presence of our Heavenly Father and his son, Jesus Christ was to choose to enter into the gate by baptism ... (and) accept and keep sacred covenants offered in the temple of God on this earth. And they will know that you knew. And they will remember whether you offered them what someone had offered you."

There is danger in procrastinating sharing the gospel, Elder Eyring said and shared an experience of a man he worked with who died before he shared the gospel with him,

"In the world to come .. I suppose that I will meet him, that he will look into my eyes, and that I will see in them the question: 'Hal, you knew. Why didn't you tell me?'"

He said he wanted to increase his power to invite people to be taught.

The first step is love, he said. He shared a story of a neighbor of another faith who had been shown true, enduring love by LDS members over many years. One day as the man was moving, Elder Eyring saw the neighbor's son, who had grown up, married and moved away. He was now a member of the church.

"I don't know the end of that story because it will have no end. But I know that it begins with love," Elder Eyring said.

He said second, members need to be better examples of what they invite others to do.

"Most of us are modest enough to think that our small candle of example might be too dim to be noticed. But you and your family are watched more than you may realize."

He said he spoke to nearly 300 leaders of other churches this Spring and later spoke with many of them and asked them why they had been so attentive to his message. Most of them responded with a story of knowing members of the church.

"The people I met at those meetings could not yet recognize the truth in the doctrine, but they had already seen its fruit in your lives, and so they were ready to listen."

Elder Eyring said the third thing Saints must do better is to invite with testimony.

"Love and example will open the way. But we will still have to open our mouths and bear testimony."

He urged Saints go gain testimonies of the things they would ask other to do such as reading The Book of Mormon and listening to the missionaries.

He said to invite the missionaries into homes to gain a testimony of their calling.

Elder Eyring spoke of an experience when his mother warned him with a few words.

He heeded the warning because he knew she loved him, he knew she had followed the advice herself, and she had conveyed her testimony of the Lord's willingness to help him make important decisions.

He said the Lord knew some members would feel inadequate to be missionaries and reminded them the Lord called the humble, weak and simple and he would bless them.

Elder Eyring said Christ is the perfect example of warning with love, example and testimony.

"You have felt his love and his caring, even when you did not respond, as those you approach with the Gospel may not respond."

Elder Eyring closed with his testimony of the gospel, the peace and happiness it brings, and that members of the church have the privilege and obligation to share it with their brothers and sisters.

0 temples lt by 2000

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nent with an earlier announcement, Gordon B. Hinckley affirmed that it he church will have 100 or more emples in the year 2000.

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ng at the first of next year, the l dedicate a number of smaller and ples, President Hinckley said. The , Utah, temple was the first of the emples to be dedicated after Hinckley's April announcement that ples would be built by 2000.

l Hinckley also encouraged church to "go on rearing our families in ess and faith, ... become a better and be mindful of our weaknesses to correct them and live above

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the criticism President Hinckley tements might bring, he affirmed, shedly state ... that this is the true Church of our Father in Heaven n the Lord Jesus Christ."

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Home–picked flowers sent to SLC temple

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Many Latter-day Saints in Hawaii did not to travel to Salt Lake City for conference this weekend, but many of them did send their flowers.

Elaine Naylor, coordinator of interior plant and flower displays at Temple Square, said the members donated flowers from their own front yards.

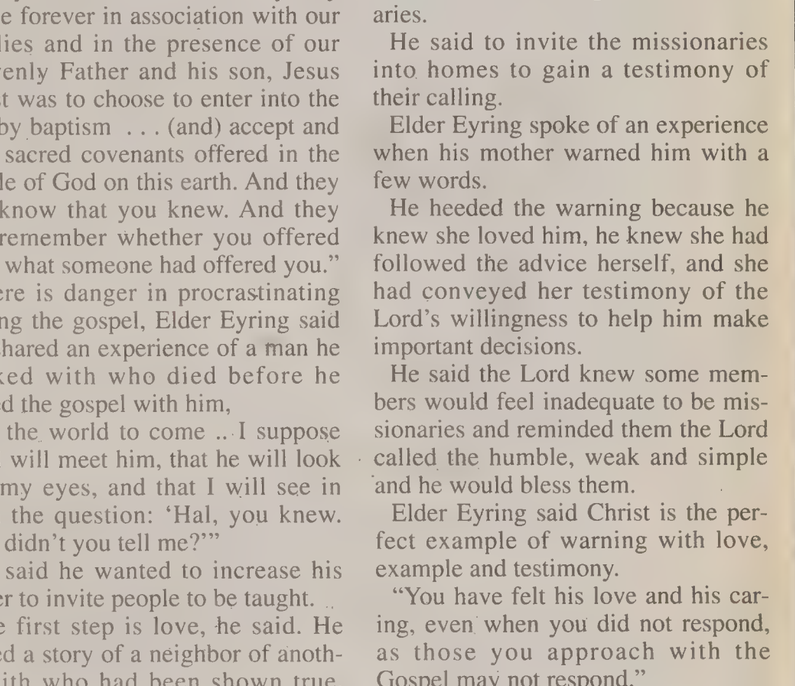
"They picked their best flowers to send to conference," she said.

The arrangements in front of the pulpit and the organ pipes in the Tabernacle were full of exotic Hawaiian flowers including the bird of paradise, zingiber spectabilis and several other plants native to the Hawaiian islands. An arrangement in the Joseph Smith Building was also made from the members' gift.

Naylor was sent to Hawaii during the summer to learn how to work with the exotic plants.

The outside of the Tabernacle was immaculately flowered as well. Adam Nygren, one of the stewards over Temple Square, said months of planning go into preparing the grounds for conference.

Unfortunately, the flowers will all be ripped out of their beds in the weeks following conference. In their place will go thousands of fall plants and thousands of tulip bulbs which will be in full bloom next spring.



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This flower arrangement in the Joseph Smilth Memorial Building is one of many sent from Hawaiian residents' gardens.

Lloy Romrell, supervisor of grounds services at Temple Square, said thousands of volunteers will show up to help tear out the flowers, many of them from BYU.

"We love it when BYU comes — our best volunteers come from BYU," he said.

During this weekend's conference, Romrell's crew was in and out of the Tabernacle, making sure the flowers did not wilt under the heat of the lights.

This week, he will begin work on the Christmas lights in temple square.

Assembly hall to open April 2000, will seat near 21,0

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President Gordon B. Hinckley opened the 168th Semiannual General Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints speaking about the new assembly hall under construction.

Speaking in the Saturday morning session, President Hinckley urged members of the church to "go forward in faith" assuring them that God is aware of their circumstances.

"I am sorry that all who wish to do so cannot be in the Tabernacle," he said. Hinckley said only 6,000 of the millions of members of the church were watching conference from inside the Tabernacle.

"Now, with the growth of the church, it will not accommodate our people," President Hinckley said. He spoke about the new assembly hall being built on the block north of Temple Square.

"It is an immense structure. I am grateful that we have followed the promptings to build it. I believe that the Lord would have us do so and that he has revealed his will in this undertaking."

President Hinckley said the new facility will seat 21,000 people, and will also contain a theater seating 1,000. He said 600 people are working on the assembly hall, and more workers will be required as construction advances.

He said the building is anticipated to be ready for the general conference in April 2000.

"Through the generations that lie ahead, it will ring with the voices of the prophets," he said.

President Hinckley explained the purposes of new assembly hall.

"It will be primarily a house of worship. But it will also be a place of art. There will be concerts ar lic offerings that will be wholesome and spiritual,"

President Hinckley s addressed church membe areas.

"We have met hundre sands of you, have look faces, have felt your spirit very precious to this work

Bishop says to commit, reach out

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Bishop H. David Burton addresses the congregation at the Saturday morning session of general conference. Bishop Burton encouraged church members to keep the sabbath day holy and to fellowship and include others.

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Today is a season for opportunities, said Bishop H. David Burton, presiding bishop of the LDS Church. Bishop Burton spoke about Sabbath day observance, temple service and fellowship in the Saturday morning session of the 168th Semiannual General Conference of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

"It is a season to reach out to touch the life of someone; a season to commit to keeping the Sabbath day holy and a season to help keep the lights of our temples burning brightly," Bishop Burton said.

Bishop Burton said now is the time for members to obey the Lord's fourth great commandment, keeping the Sabbath day holy.

"If we are not keeping the Sabbath day holy, today is a wonderful time ... to seize that opportunity, to receive the promised blessings that come from Sabbath day observance," he said.

Bishop Burton said the need to reverence the Sabbath day is not new counsel.

"We are only being told today what generations have been told by the prophets of their day and reconfirmed countless times by the prophets of our day," Bishop Burton said.

He said keeping the Sabbath day holy may be difficult for members of the church. However, Bishop Burton said Sunday worship is critical to members spirituality.

"Remembering to keep the Sabbath day holy is one of the most important commandments we can observe in preparing us to be recipients of the whisperings of the Spirit."

Bishop Burton also said today is a season for increased temple work and sacrifice toward temple service.

"Very simply stated, the great opportunity is to see that the lights of our temples burn early and late in the day," he said.

He spoke of the sacrifice that early members of the church made in order to build temples and said Latter-day Saints today also make sacrifices.

"We are not expected to pound nails, carve stone, mill lumber, pour concrete or to physically participate in the construction of temples. We are, however, extended the marvelous opportunity to faithfully pay our tithes so temple construction work many continue to go forward," he said.

Bishop Burton also said church members have a responsibility to fellowship. "President Hinckley has reminded us, repeatedly, of the many opportunities to 'reach out and touch someone.'"

Bishop Burton identified five "I's" to include others, which he heard in a recent stake training meeting. He said introspection means church members should ask if they are excluding others.

Identity involves making sure members know people around them. Individualize concerns members' knowledge of talents, skills and interests of those they wish to fellowship. Invite means members should include friends and neighbors at church activities. Involve means members should utilize the talents and abilities of those they wish to include.

Listen to prophet's voice, Sis. Jensen says

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Sister Virginia U. Jensen, first counselor in the General Relief Society presidency, challenged church members to come listen to a prophet's voice in Saturday morning's session of general conference.

"I would like to extend to all within the sound of my voice today, an invitation previously written in a hymn: 'Come, listen to a prophet's voice, and hear the word of God'," Sister Jensen said.

Sister Jensen said each dispensation requires different instructions and today's dispensation is no different.

"We are so blessed to have a living prophet — who makes connections that have never been made before...President Hinckley has been prepared for our day, for a media-savvy world," Sister Jensen said.

The church continues steadfast and confident in today's world where many voices are announcing the death of honesty, integrity, goodness and righteousness. Latter-day Saints are blessed to have a living prophet giving direction and encouragement to return back to the father, Sister Jensen said.

"There aren't many guarantees in this life...Nothing man-made or man-controlled can ever be truly guaranteed! But here's the miracle...(The Lord) will choose the prophet and he will never let that man lead us astray. Imagine for a moment the impact of that promise. There is at least one place we can turn for pure unpolluted guidance," Sister Jensen said.

Sister Jensen asked members if they fully appreciated the blessing of having a prophet. She listed several ways the prophet's voice can enrich lives.

"We have a clearer picture of who we are and what we mean to our father in heaven. We have received commandments and counsel to guide us, reminders to keep us on the straight and narrow and encouraging words to spur us on when we become disheartened or discouraged," she said.

Sister Jensen concluded her talk with her testimony of the living prophet.

"It is my prayer that you may also have a personal witness as I have, that our living prophet today, President Gordon B. Hinckley, has soul-saving instructions for you and yours — instructions, that if followed, will lead us all back to our heavenly home, safe and unspotted from the world."

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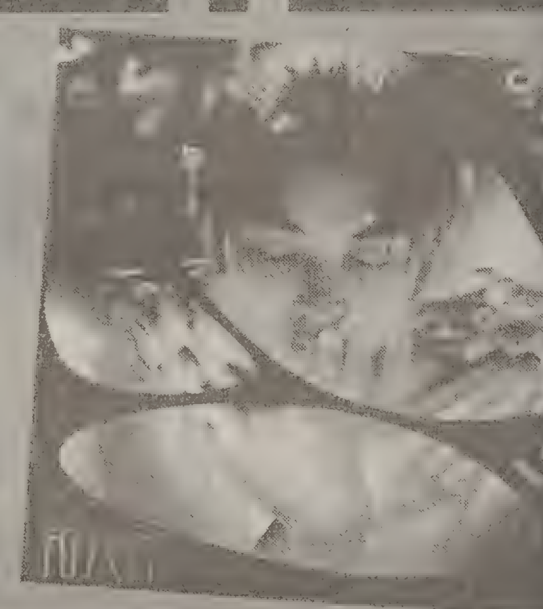

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ain is positive, says Elder Hales

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is a positive aspect to pain, obert D. Hales said at Saturrning's general conference

Hales, a member of the Quothe Twelve Apostles of The of Jesus Christ of Latter-day aid he learned of the benefits ual pain through his experiercoming physical pain.
d his message's purpose was you and I to the great healer, and Savior Jesus Christ."
Hales opened his talk with , thanking church members concern and prayers during six months when he was ng from his third heart attack pass surgery.

Elder Hales said the purpose of pain is healing. He said both physical and spiritual pains share the purpose of healing the sick.

People should not dwell on unanswerable questions when trials come, because these questions are almost always unanswerable, detract from spirituality and can destroy faith, he said.

Instead, turn to the Lord and ponder the path of life, looking to righteousness, he said.

"Feast upon the words of Christ, for behold the words of Christ will tell you all things that ye shall do," Elder Hales said.

Elder Hales prescribed listening to the Spirit, praying and studying the scriptures as methods of managing spiritual pain.

Elder Hales reminded church members that the Savior will comfort those in need.

He made special mention of those who die, leaving families and loved ones grieving.

He said comfort comes to those whose loved ones die and comes from the knowledge that they will be united again.

He compared the feeling of loss experienced when a loved one dies to the feeling of restlessness a soul knows when it needs to repent. Elder Hales said comfort comes to these souls through repentance, a spiritual change of heart which only comes from the Savior.

Elder Hales read the words of King Benjamin from the Book of Mormon, warning church members who do not repent that they will suffer even more after they die.

He said church members should exercise faith to gain strength, to overcome pains and trials and in the end to gain greater understanding.

The physical pain suffered by the Savior was fantastic, but not as great as the spiritual anguish he endured as he interceded as a healer for all transgressors of the world, he said.

Elder Hales noted that there are few references to physical pain in the scriptures.

"The pain frequently spoken of in the scriptures is the pain and anguish of the Lord and his prophets for the disobedient souls," he said.

Elder Hales said Alma the Younger felt this spiritual pain, and it was beyond that of physical pain. However, as Alma repented he was healed.

In comparison, church members will encounter pains and trials, but if they surrender themselves to the Lord, "we give up whatever is causing our pain and turn everything over to him.

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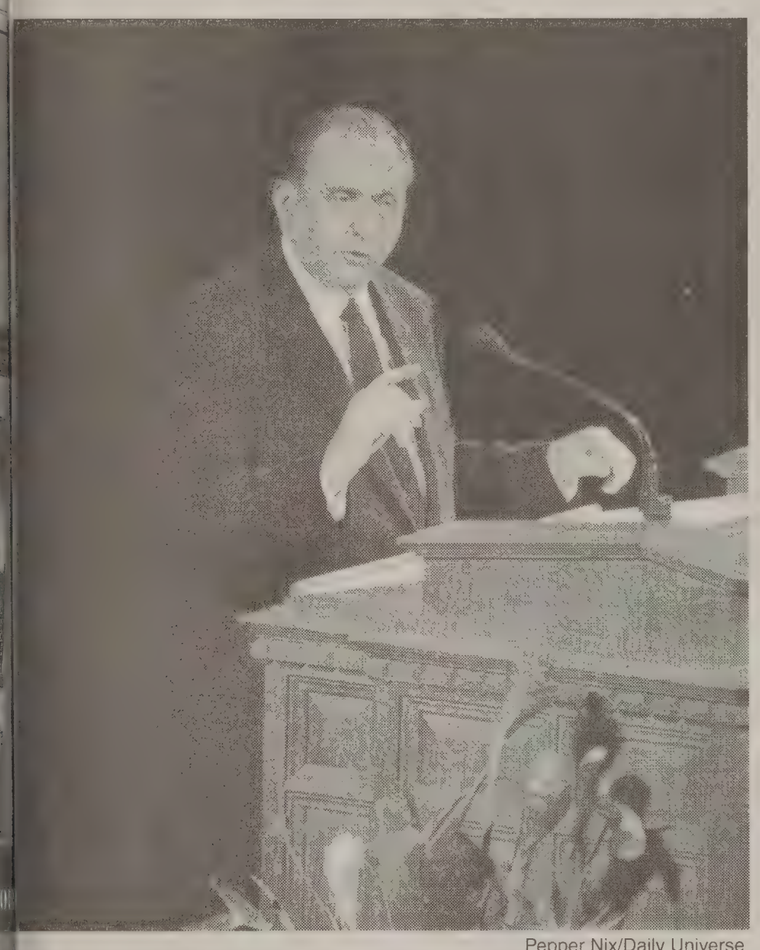

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nt Monson makes a point in his talk during the Satufday session o f General Conference.

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President Thomas S. Monson, First Counselor in the First Presidency of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints told members of the church to say "thank you" more and "if only" less.

Speaking in the Saturday morning session of the church's 168th Semiannual General Conference, President Monson urged members to be more thankful.

"My brothers and sisters, do we give thanks to God 'for his unspeakable gift' and his rich blessings so abundantly bestowed upon us?" he questioned, referring to 2 Corinthians 9:15.

President Monson quoted Robert W. Woodruff, a prominent business leader of a former time, saying, "The two most important words in the English language are these: Thank you."

"Gracias, danke, merci — whatever language is spoken, 'thank you' frequently expressed will cheer your spirit, broaden your friendships and lift your lives to a higher pathway as you journey toward perfection," he said.

President Monson encouraged members to say "thank you" to their parents, to their teachers and to their peers.

He told the story of man who wrote a letter of thanks to one of his former high school teachers. The teacher, now more than 80 years old, replied in a letter, "You will be interested to know that I taught school for 50 years, and yours is the first note of appreciation I have ever received. It came on a blue, cold morning, and it cheered me as nothing has for years."

President Monson also told church members who have lost loved ones to go on with their lives and trust in the Lord.

President Monson spoke about the tragedy in Salt Lake County last August that claimed the lives of five little girls. The girls locked themselves in the trunk of a car and died from heat exhaustion.

Speaking at the funeral, President Monson counseled, "There is one phrase which should be erased from your thinking and from the words you speak aloud. It is the phrase, 'if only.' It is counterproductive and is not conducive to the spirit of healing and peace."

He quoted John 14:18, in which the Savior said, "I will not leave you comfortless." President Monson said the Lord is the one true source of peace.

"The gifts of healing and of peace are desperately needed, and Jesus, through His atonement, had provided them for one and all," he said.

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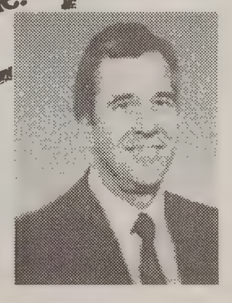
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lder Haight: Sustain leaders

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avid B. Haight expressed the ce of sustaining leaders of rch during Saturday afterssion of general conference.
Haight, member of the Quohe Twelve Apostles of The f Jesus Christ of Latter-day id it is a great responsibility church leaders.
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ot only just raise our hands in e sustain, but that we follow ion and that we listen ... that we're mindful of what comes from the lips of the prophet."

Elder Haight said members of the church first sustained leaders, at the organization of the church in 1830.

"Just imagine ... the spiritual setting and the feeling they must have had as the proposition was presented to them to sustain, as we have done here today, the prophet," he said.

He said that when Brigham Young was sustained as the second president of the church, it was necessary for the members of the church to be there.

The meeting was postponed for three weeks and a small log tabernacle was built where members of the church gathered to sustain him.

"It takes the sustaining of the people to give the leaders of the church the authority that the Lord has designated by revelation that is necessary," he said.

Elder Haight said that it is also a privilege to sustain leaders of the church.

"I am happy on this day and honored to have raised my hand in sustaining President Gordon B. Hinckley as president of the church," he said.

Elder Haight also bore his testimony of the truthfulness of the gospel.

"In the 90 and more years that I've had, as I've witnessed and felt and seen and been part of the spiritual experiences that have been mine, (I've known) that this is the work of the Lord."

Elder Haight opened his talk with a joke about his age. A friend of his jokingly asked him what he and San Francisco 49ers quarterback had in common. The answer: People were wondering if both of them would be back for the next season.

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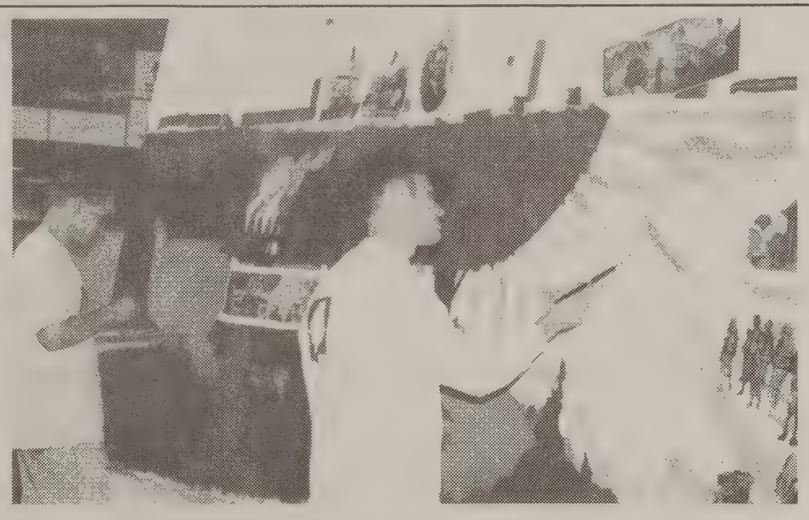

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Paul Johnson, Assistant Director of Dining Services, is excited with the prospect of the mural being a project entirely driven by students, from inquiries to conceptualization to final production. "This just shows the caliber of students who attend this university, to think we have students who feel this heritage is a critical element in looking toward their future." added Johnson.

The mural was designed by Gerald Rogers, a senior from Minnesota majoring in illustration, and Richard Russell, from West Valley City who recently graduated in illustration. Rogers considers his artwork to be a natural outgrowth of his optimistic attitude toward life. Russell won many awards as a student, including the Deans Award for Excellence in the Visual Arts Program. He is now pursuing a career as a freelance illustrator, with clients including the Ensign Magazine and Pocket Books, a publisher in New York City.

Said Rogers, "As students at BYU, we have been given so much through the heritage of this university. This painting is filled with symbols of what I see of this heritage and history." He continues, "Today we are blessed by the decisions and efforts made by those who came before...I hope that his vision (Kelly) will continue to inspire all of us involved with this university."

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Focus on spiritual preparation

Elder Wirthlin says it is time to look toward millennium

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With the turn of the century approaching, Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin, an apostle in the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles of the LDS Church emphasized that members of the church should focus on spiritual preparation.

Speaking of the coming year 2000, Elder Wirthlin said that polls reflect that people view the new millennium as a time to stop and start anew.

With some people looking toward the millennium as a time when the Savior might return to the earth,

Elder Wirthlin pointed out that the scriptures state that no man knows when that day will be.

Although that day might come at any time, Elder Wirthlin said, "we should resolve to begin a new era of personal obedience to prepare for his return."

Elder Wirthlin said that members should view the new millennium as a time to prepare for the coming of the Savior through becoming more like him.

"I believe we should strive to develop within ourselves the traits of character of the Savior," Elder Wirthlin said.

He said that members can focus on becoming more Christlike through three key areas: faith, hope and charity.

"These divine attributes should be fixed in our hearts and minds to guide us in all our actions," Elder Wirthlin said.

Developing the three characteristics — faith, hope and charity — is a part of a step-by-step process.

"Faith begets hope and together, they foster charity," Elder Wirthlin said.

First members should focus on developing greater faith by planting the seed and nourishing it, Elder Wirthlin said.

"If we study, ponder and pray, our faith in the unseen but true things of God will grow," Elder Wirthlin said.

After planting and developing faith, hope will come into members' hearts.

Elder Wirthlin cited, in Ether 12:4, that with faith in God, grows a hope for a better world at the right hand of God.

"Even when the winds of adversity blow, our father keeps us anchored to our hope," Elder Wirthlin said.

Hope is a strength that comes through believing the Lord's promise that he will not leave his people comfortless.

"Our faith grows into a firm abiding testimony, giving us hope in our Heavenly Father's plan of happiness . . . we experience a mighty change in our hearts. We feel 'to sing the song of redeeming love' and our hearts overflow with charity," Elder Wirthlin said.

After feeling the love the Savior has for them, members will want to share and bless the lives of others with that same love, including those who have passed away, through service and temple work, Elder Wirthlin said.

"The ideals of faith, hope and charity are most evident in the holy temples," Elder Wirthlin said. "Performing temple ordinances for the dead is a manifestation of charity."

Members can check their progress of developing faith, hope and charity through significant dates and interviews with priesthood leaders.

"On these occasions, we renew covenants, affirm commitments and establish eternal goals," Elder Wirthlin said.

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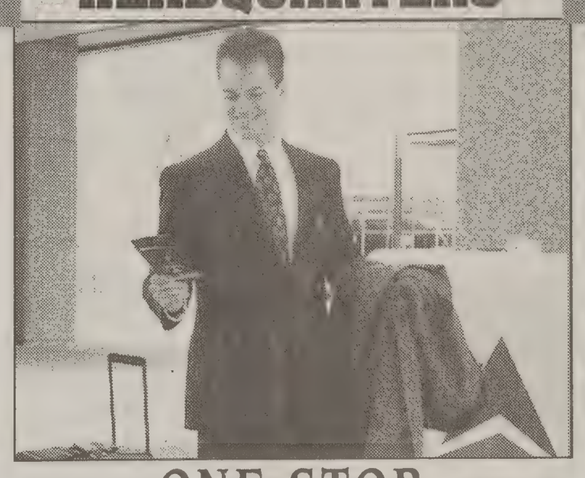

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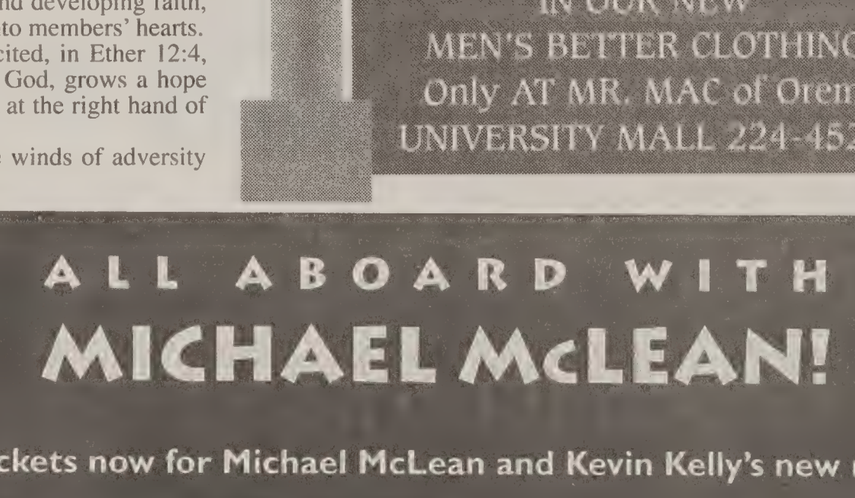

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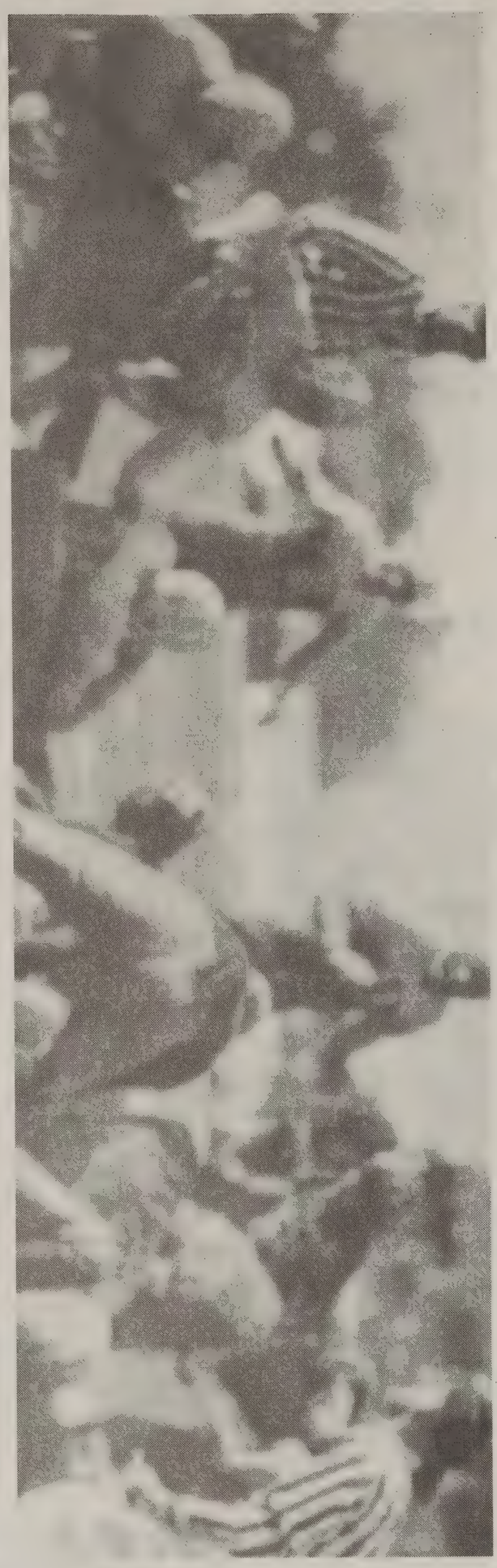

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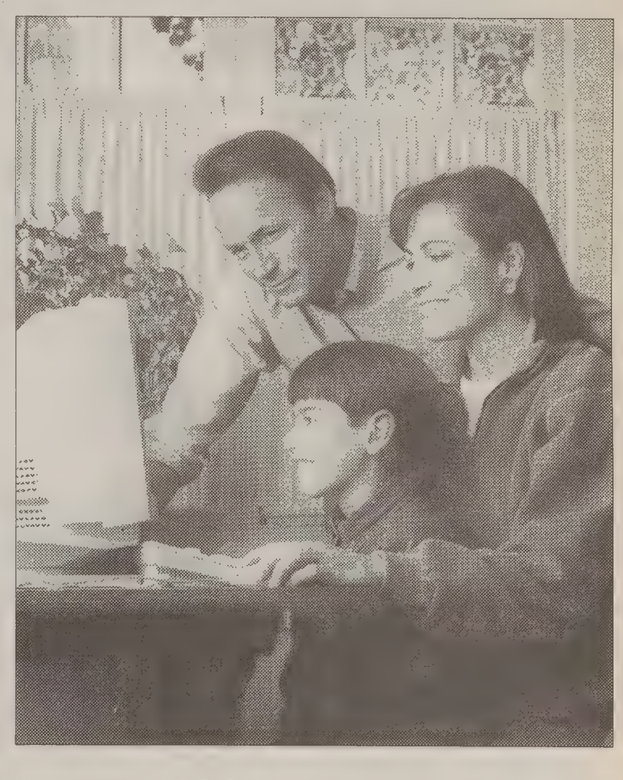

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Obey with love, serve, Elder Amorim says

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Speaking at the Saturday afternoon session of general conference, Elder Athos M. de Amorim said that obedience and service go hand in hand.

Elder Amorim, a member of the Quorum of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, said that obedience allows members of the church to reach a more spiritual level in their lives, which inspires them to serve their fellow man.

"I'm not talking about blind obedience, but ... using our agency to do the will of the Lord," he said.

Elder Amorim said that at the Brazilian Army Academy, cadets are taught obedience.

"I learned in the army ... that soldiers in my country do not use the verb 'to work' when they talk about their assignments. Rather, they use the verb 'to serve,' helping them to always remember the commitment to serve our people and our country," he said.

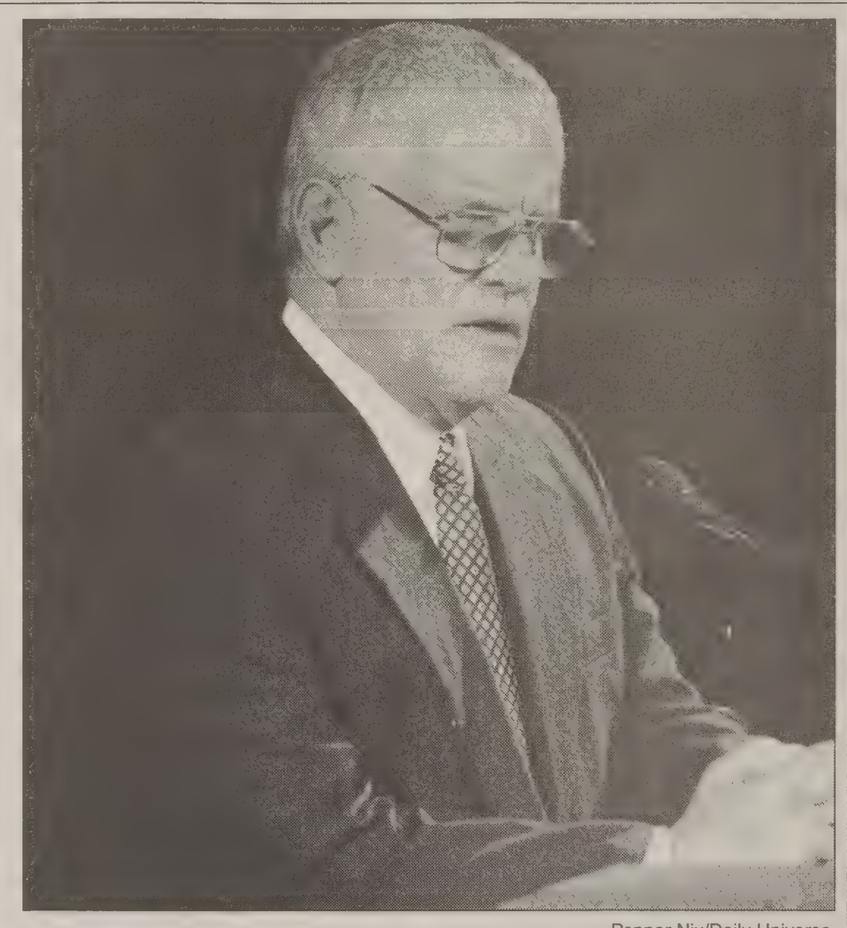
Elder Amorim said that missionaries and temple workers are good examples of obedience and service.

He also spoke of an elderly widow in Brazil, Ana Rita de Jesus, whom he called a beautiful example of obedience and service.

He said that de Jesus, who could not read or write, paid her tithing — sometimes only a few cents — and placed a flower on the pulpit at sacrament meeting every week.

"That sister, in a very simple way, taught us obedience and service through her faith, because she knew that obeying the commandments is the best preparation to serve," he said.

Elder Amorim said that when he was called as a seventy, he felt inadequate for the calling but realized that it was his opportunity to serve.



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Elder Athos M. de Amorim speaks about obedience and service during the Saturday afternoon session of general conference. Elder Amorim was sustained as a member of the Quorum of the Seventy during general conference in April.

Elder Packer: balance family, ch

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Parenthood is one of the most important callings and a balance must be found between church service and time with the family, said Elder Boyd K. Packer, Acting President of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, in the Saturday afternoon session.

"Parenthood stands among the most important activities to which Latter-day Saints may devote themselves," he said.

Elder Packer spoke of the correlation between church service and the family.

"In church we are taught the Great Plan of Happiness. At home we apply what we have learned," he said.

He said there are things vital to the well-being of the family which can be found only by going to church, and the curriculum and activities of the church have been coordinated with the home.

Yet he advised leaders, in their desire to provide a schedule of programs and activities, to not overlook the responsibilities of parents and the essential need for families to have time together.

President Packer also said that the church is not the only responsibility parents have. Schools, employers, community have a legitimate reason to call upon resources of the family and need to be balanced in.

He said he is aware of the busy schedule of many households but emphasized the importance of scheduling time for the family.

"Remember, when you schedule a youngster, you schedule a family — particularly the mother," he said.

Elder Packer spoke of what he called a most difficult problem to solve. He said many young people receive little training at home, and they must be provided for. He said scheduling too many out-of-home activities to compensate for the loss in those homes may make it difficult for attentive parents to teach their own children.

"Only prayer and inspiration can lead us to find this difficult balance," he said.

He said the ward council is the place to establish balance between home and church by coordinati the organizations.

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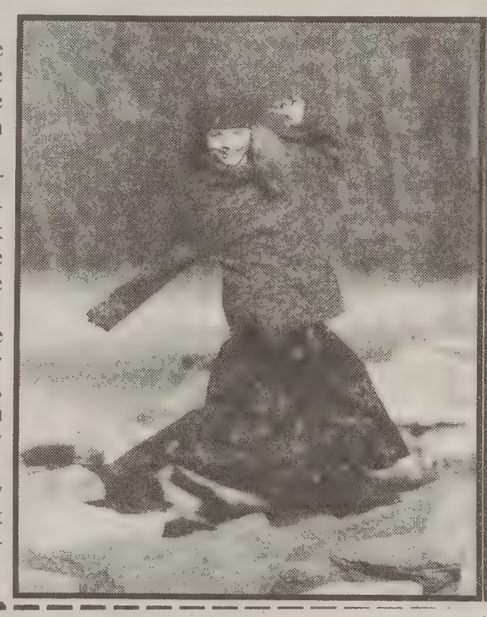

Find, bring gospel to others, Elder Bateman says

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Elder E. Ray Bateman of the Quorum of the Seventy said that members of the church should participate in gathering Abraham's seed.

"It is our responsibility as members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to gather Abraham's seed and bring them unto Christ," Elder Bateman said.

Elder Bateman asked what the members are doing to gather Abraham's seed.

"In keeping with this counsel of the Savior, do we talk about the church?" Elder Bateman said. "Do we invite our friends to come to church with us?"

Elder Bateman promised that the seed of Abraham would be ready and willing to accept the gospel.

"They should be easy to find, for they are as numerous as the sands of the sea shore," he said. "The seed of Abraham hear (the Lord's) voice and will not harden their hearts."

Elder Bateman compared the gospel to a pearl.

"You and I know the gospel of Jesus Christ is the pearl of great price. Each of those little grains of sand are Abraham's children. They need to be cultured to become pearls," Elder Bateman said.

Elder Bateman quoted President Gordon B. Hinckley on how members should reach out to non-members.

"Be friendly. You have to make a friend before you make a convert. Conversion follows friendship." Elder Bateman quoted.

Elder Bateman invited members to reaffirm their responsibility to share the gospel with others.

"Brothers and sisters, let us renew our commitment to seek the spirit to help us find those who are Abraham's seed," he said. "Our father in heaven wants all of Abraham's seed to return to him."

Elder Christensen gives steps to conquer challenges

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Elder Val R. Christensen of the Quorum of the Seventy said there are specific steps involved in conquering challenges.

"Many of us face significant challenges," Elder Christensen said at Saturday afternoon's session of general conference. "There are at least three steps to take when striving to over come discouragement."

The first step, he said, is to have a change of attitude.

"By looking at a problem in a different way, it may be possible to reduce discouragement," Elder Christensen said.

He told the story of the pioneer Zina Young who faced many challenges on the journey west. She prayed that she might be able to face her hardships.

"It is often difficult to change circumstances, but a positive attitude can help lift discouragement," Elder Christensen said.

The next important step is to be willing to ask for help from those around you, Elder Christensen said.

He shared a story of how he met a church member in a Chicago airport. They talked on the plane all the way to Utah.

Later Elder Christensen received a card from this church member. The church member expressed his gratitude to Elder Christensen for talking to him that day.

"I wasn't planning to be useful that day, but I am grateful for this brother who sought for extra help and (that) I was nearby to assist," Elder Christensen said.

Developing trust in the Lord is the third step in overcoming discouragement, Elder Christensen said.

"If we place a little more patience in the process and a greater amount of faith in the Lord, our challenges will find their way toward successful conclusions," Elder Christensen said.

He said that the members of the church should appreciate their challenges.

"I also testify that Jesus Christ lives and that he will help us through our discouragements, if we will humbly ask for his love," he said.

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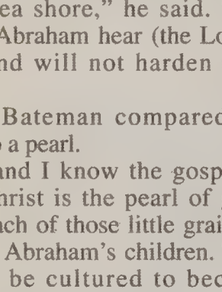

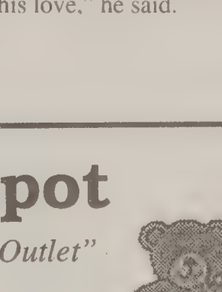

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"There are two patterns for making decisions," he said. "The first I will call 'Decisions Based upon Circumstance'; the second, 'Decisions Based upon Eternal Truth.'"

When making decisions based on circumstance, one is interested in "the outcome desired, rather than what is right or wrong," Elder Scott said.

"There is no use of an underlying set of standards to consistently guide those decisions," he said. "Each choice is made upon what appears to give the most desired result now."

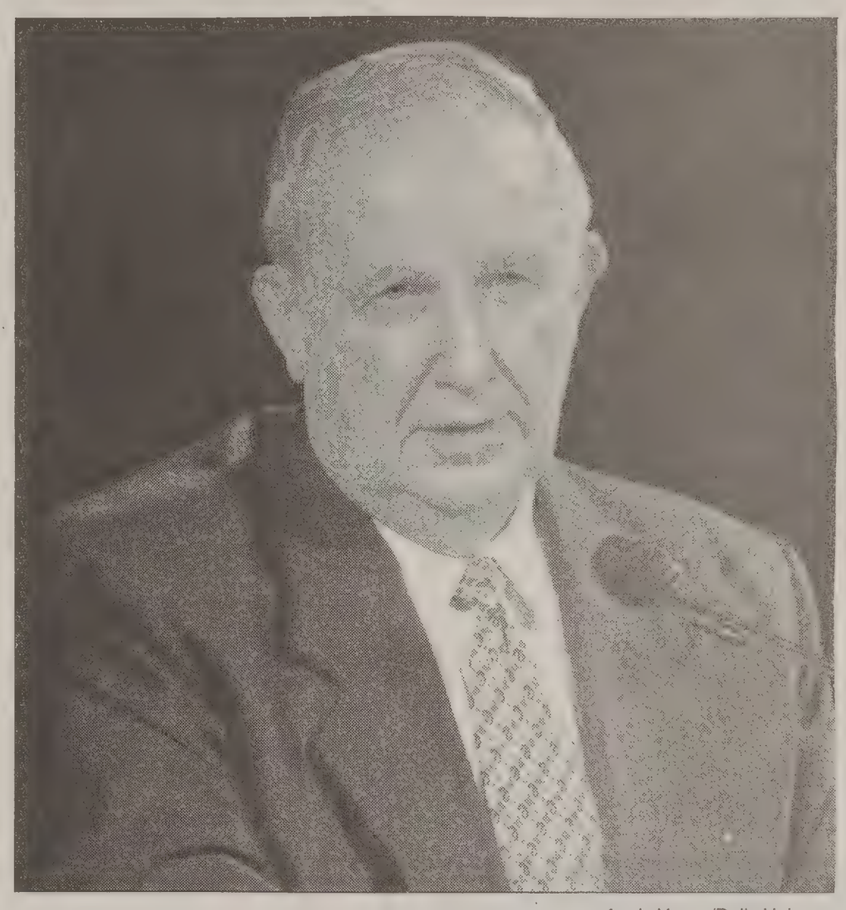
This sort of decision-making will eventually lead to sin, Elder Scott said, and any happiness or success derived from it will not last.

"A clever individual without foundation principles can ... acquire, temporarily, impressive accomplishments," he said. "Yet that attainment is like a sand castle. When the test of character comes, it crumbles — often taking others with it."

Making decisions based on eternal truth is the better of the two patterns, even though it often requires foresight and sacrifice, Elder Scott said.

"Choosing to do what the Lord has defined as right will, in the long run, always lead to the best outcomes," he said.

Elder Scott also spoke strongly against sexual immorality — the area in which "Satan will try hardest to tempt you to make the wrong decisions" — saying that sex is appropriate only between a husband and wife.



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Elder Richard G. Scott of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles speaks on making decisions during general conference Sunday.

Virtue essential to happiness

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During the Sunday afternoon session of conference, Elder Jeffrey R. Holland of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles asserted that chastity and fidelity are essential to eternal happiness within God's plan.

"As modern winds of immorality swirl luridly around them, I too am concerned for any of our youth or young adults who may be confused about principles of personal purity," Elder Holland said.

Elder Holland's remarks centered on the dangers of sexual sin and why it is so grievous to Heavenly Father. The soul is at stake in sexual sin, he said.

To describe these dangers, the metaphor of fire is often used in scripture to describe the "potentially hurtful heat." God applies such a powerful image in scripture to warn his children of these dangers, Elder Holland said.

Elder Holland told the conference audience that sexual intimacy is to be reserved for married couples, and the "complete merger" of these couples is essential to the plan of our Heavenly Father.

"Such a total union, such an unyielding commitment between a man and a woman, can only come with the proximity and permanence afforded in a marriage covenant, with solemn promises and the pledge of all they possess — their very hearts and minds, all their days and all their dreams," he said.

Not only did Elder Holland emphasize the importance of the marriage covenant in relation to personal purity, he also said this covenant is symbolic of the relationship between an eternal couple and their Heavenly Father. This is an opportunity for God's children to unite with him spiritually, and certain moments in life give this opportunity of unification.

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sibility in the family provides children with an "anchor for their faith" and a love for the Savior, she said.

"The seeds of testimony that are planted in the hearts of children when they are young are nourished throughout their lives by hearing the testimonies of those who love them enough to bear witness of the truth," Sister Warner said.

Sensitivity to the Spirit and open communication with family members are keys to help children develop their faith, she said.

"If we are sensitive to the whisperings of the Spirit, we can find opportunities to humbly express our beliefs," Sister Warner said.

"We do this in our families by bearing record of Jesus Christ and his gospel with our actions and our words," she also said.

To illustrate the impact of bearing testimony to children, Sister Warner told of a grandfather who shared the story of Joseph Smith's first vision with his grandchildren.

"Though the grandfather had repeated this sacred account many times throughout his life, he said, 'Never did the Spirit of the Lord bear stronger witness than when I bore my testimony of Joseph Smith to my own grandchildren,'" Sister Warner said.

Bearing testimony gives confirmation through the Holy Ghost to those who hear it and also to the bearer, Sister Warner said.

Although some parents may feel regret for not having born record to their children while they were young, Sister Warner said it is never too late to bear testimony to children.

She told of how her father wrote his personal history in order to share his testimony with generations to come.

"Nothing he could have left his family is more precious than the record of his testimony and love," Sister Warner said.

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Christ spent key parts of his ministry at the temple, Elder Sorensen said.

With the increase in temple building, more people will have them nearby to remind them of Christ and the Atonement, he said.

"The simple presence of a temple should serve as a reminder of covenants we have made, the need for integrity and the fact that God is never far away," he said.

The ordinances that Latter-day Saints perform in the temples also help them to "come unto Christ," Elder Sorensen said. Each ordinance is designed to reveal something about Christ and man's relationship to God, he said.

Elder Sorensen also said temple ordinances can strengthen families. Performing ordinances vicariously forms a "welding link" between generations.

Elder Sorensen closed by inviting Latter-day Saints to use temple worship as a means to grow closer to God.

"The gates of heaven are open to us, and the Lord Jesus Christ is inviting us to come unto him," he said.

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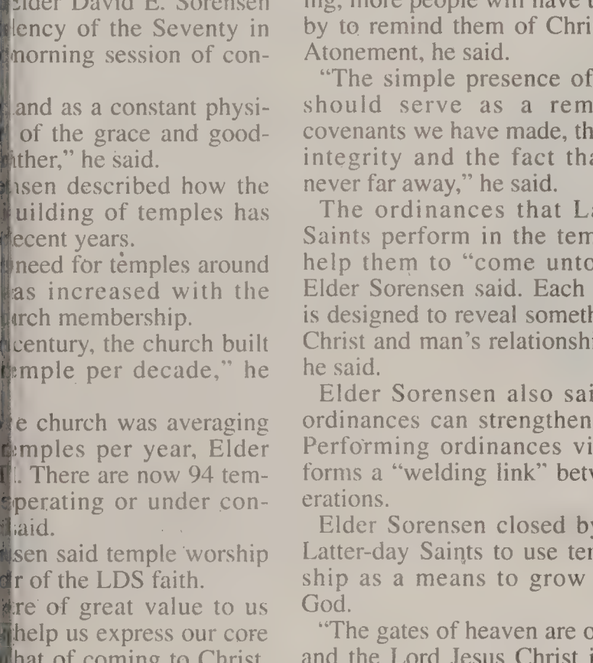

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Elder Maxwell contrasts hopes

Eternal hope is of Christ and atonement

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Eternal hope only comes from the Atonement of Jesus Christ, Elder Neal A. Maxwell said.

"Ultimate hope is tied to Jesus and the blessings of his great Atonement, blessings resulting in the universal resurrection and the precious opportunity provided for us to practice emancipating repentance, making possible what the scriptures call 'a perfect brightness of hope," Maxwell said.

Elder Maxwell contrasted eternal hope, rooted in the gospel, to the hope for more temporal and material things. The latter tends to result in disappointment, he said.

"Because proximate hopes are so vulnerable to irony and the unexpected, there is an increasing and profound sense of existential despair in the world."

A lack of hope for eternal things lessens personal accountability, leading to sin and despair, Elder Maxwell said.

"No wonder the subsequent loss of hope almost inevitably sends selfishness surging as many, resignedly, turn to pleasing themselves," Elder Maxwell said. "Much despair truly comes of iniquity — but as God defines iniquity."

Elder Maxwell encouraged church members to help those who may have lost hope.

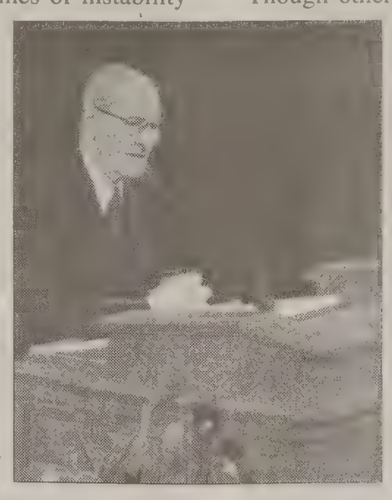
"Our opportunities for helping others who have lost hope may be no further than in our own extended families, a discouraged neighbor next door, or someone just around the corner.

"Likewise , a simple gospel conversation can impart hope," he said.

Not all people with real hope acknowledge the source form which it stems, nevertheless they all receive it from Jesus Christ, he said.

"Granted, the human scene includes many individuals who go decently about life's labors, untouched by or unexpressive of deep religious feelings, but who, nevertheless, draw unknowingly upon "the light of Christ," which to a degree lights every individual."

Elder Maxwell said sometimes hope can come during times of instability and despair. With a greater divide between shifting worldly values and firm gospel principles, fresh attention will be given to the gospel, which provides "an anchor to the souls of men."



Sustained hope can only come from obedience to God's commandments, he said.

When one follows the revelations of God, then it is possible to have a "perfect brightness of hope," Elder Maxwell said.

Those with true hope will still have trying experiences. But their hope provides them with a perspective necessary to see the Lord's purposes, and allows them to find happiness among uncertainty, he said.

One experience that necessarily tries the faith and hope of those who experience it is death.

"Though otherwise a 'lively attribute,' hope stands quietly with us at a funeral.Our tears are just as wet, but not because of despair," he said.

"Rather, they are tears of heightened appreciation, evoked by poignant separation.

"Those tears of separation, change, erelong, becoming tears of glorious anticipation," he said.

Elder Maxwell's remarks on hope come appropriately at a time when he is recovering from chemotherapy treatment for leukemia. This provided him with an occasion to joke of his"alternating conference hair-styles."

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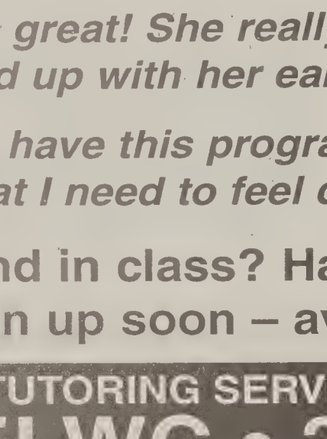
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President Faust extols paying tithing

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President Faust tells a story of how he was taught the importance of tithing by his grandfather. He said tithing is essential to the personal happiness and well-being of church members worldwide.

Paying tithing is essential in order for members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to be happy and content, said President James E. Faust, second counselor in the First Presidency of the church, in the Sunday morning session of general conference.

"Tithing is a principle that is fundamental to the personal happiness and well-being of church members worldwide, both rich and poor," President Faust said. "Tithing is ... a key to opening the windows of heaven."

President Faust said he was taught the importance of tithing by his grandfather, whose farm he worked on during the Great Depression. Though a drought was causing cows and horses to die for lack of grass and hay, "Grandfather told us to take the wagon to the corner of the field where the best stand of hay stood, fill the wagon as full as we could, and take it to the tithing yard as payment of his tithing."

President Faust expressed deep respect and amazement at his grandfather's dedication.

"I wondered how Grandfather could use the hay to pay tithing when some of the cows that we were depending upon to sustain us might starve," he said. "Ultimately, I marveled at his great faith that somehow the Lord would provide.... He never became wealthy, but he died at peace with the Lord and with himself."

Later, when he was a bishop, President Faust learned more about "the spirit of tithing" from President Henry D. Moyle, then a counselor in the First Presidency. President Moyle lived in Bishop Faust's ward, and he once said in a tithing settlement, "Bishop, this is a full tithe and a little bit more, because that's the way we have been blessed."

"I didn't understand (tithing) fully until it was taught by Grandfather and President Henry D. Moyle," President Faust said.

He said that though paying 10 percent of one's income is sometimes financially difficult to do, he believes the statement made by LDS Church President Gordon B. Hinckley to members in the Philippines: "If members, even living in poverty and misery ... will accept the gospel and live it, pay their tithes and offerings, even though those be meager, ... they will have rice in their bowls and clothing on their backs and shelter over their heads. I do not see any other solution."

President Faust said the benefits of paying tithing outweigh the economic concerns.

"Many of us have had the windows of heaven open up for us, so we do not look upon tithing as a sacrifice, but rather a blessing and even a privilege," he said.

President Faust also assured church members that tithing funds are used appropriately, as set forth in the scriptures.

"The 18 church leaders designated in the 120th section of the Doctrine and Covenants meet together to administer these sacred funds," he said. "Those of us who sit on that council know that this sacred responsibility is done in accordance with the Lord's voice unto them."

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Elder Nelson also said the process of death, which is often thought of as tragic, is really a part of life. For those who love God, death is a joyous event.

"We take comfort in knowing that the very laws which do not allow life to persist here are the same laws that will be implemented at the time of the resurrection, when the body will be endowed with immortality," he said.

The body is also a temple for the spirit. Each person's spirit provides the body with "animation and personality." Spirits existed before birth and will continue to exist after death, Elder Nelson said.

Because the spirit develops attributes such as love, integrity and compassion, "development of the spirit is of eternal consequence," he said.

Elder Nelson also said people born with physical limitations are entitled to all the blessings the Lord has in store for his obedient children. The Atonement of Jesus Christ made it possible for all bodies to eventually be restored to its perfect form.

"Some of the sweetest spirits are housed in frail frames. Great spiritual strength is often developed by those with physical challenges precisely because they are challenged," Elder Nelson said.

Everyone should gratefully acknowledge God as Creator, Elder Nelson said.

"Otherwise, we would be as guilty as goldfish swimming in a bowl, oblivious to the goodness of their provider," he said.

People should show their gratitude by treating their bodies with respect. Elder Nelson admonished church members to exercise and control their diets. He said that spiritual strength requires effort, just as physical strength requires exercise.

Spiritual strength can be obtained through prayer. With prayer comes wisdom, virtue and humility, he said.

Church members should also be careful about which council they heed. There are many misleading people in the world that will give advice for the body without thinking about the spirit. Both physical and spiritual needs must be considered, Elder Nelson said.

"Beware of such one-sided views...As children of God, we should not let anything enter the body that might defile it. To allow sensors of sight, touch or hearing to supply the brain with unclean memories is a sacrilege," Elder Nelson said.

Elder Nelson specifically cautioned against pornography, saying it is highly addictive to both the body and spirit. Full repentance is best accomplished if it is done in this life.

"Who are we? We are children of God. Our potential is unlimited. Our inheritance is sacred," Elder Nelson said.

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"These are the moments when we quite literally unite our will with God's will, our spirit with his spirit, where communion through the veil becomes very real," he said. Elder Holland became emotional as he described one such moment, of a parent holding a newborn baby in his or her arms.

The procreative powers are a serious matter to Heavenly Father, and God has given strict rules on how these powers should be used, Elder Holland said. He counseled his listeners to give heed to God's commandments in this area.

One of the reasons that sexual sin is so dangerous is that it damages the soul, Elder Holland said.

According to scripture, the soul is the spirit and the body. Sexual sin leads a person to damage his or her soul and desecrates the Atonement of Christ, Elder Holland said. He also warned against the attitude that one can sin now with the intention of repenting later.

"Please don't be so foolish and so cruel. You cannot with impunity 'crucify Christ afresh' ... Why? Well, for one reason because of the incalculable suffering in both body and spirit endured by the Savior of the world so that we could flee (from sin). We owe him something for that. Indeed, we owe him everything," Elder Holland said.

Elder Holland said that these sins can cause great damage but through the Atonement and the powers of repentance, anyone who transgresses one of these eternal laws, even though the wounds can be deep and very grave.

"In such serious matters the path of repentance is not easily begun nor painlessly traveled, but the Savior of the world will walk that essential journey with everyone willing to undertake it," he said.

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Elder Perry counsels youth to appreciate blessings

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Youth must appreciate the land they live in and contribute the community. Elder L. Tom Perry of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles said the Lord has created lands of promise for his children.

At the second session of general conference on Sunday, Elder Perry said the sons and daughters of God need to appreciate the bounteous land which they have been blessed with. He said responsibility comes with blessing.

"We are expected to be subject to kings, presidents, rulers and magistrates, and obey honor and sustain the law," Elder Perry said.

To be good citizens, service must be rendered through church, school and communities, he said.

Educational preparation for the future is necessary to be able to contribute to the community, Elder Perry said.

"If we make an effort to obtain the best education available to us, we are in a better position to be self sufficient and not to become a burden on the society in which we live," Elder Perry said.

Elder Perry endorsed higher education and said average income increases with levels of education.

"Education does pay," he said.

Elder Perry went on to warn against beginning college without deciding what to study.

"It is such a waste of time and money to attempt to pursue an education without having a definite goal," he said.

The youth should understand self esteem, love of family and love of God Elder Perry said.

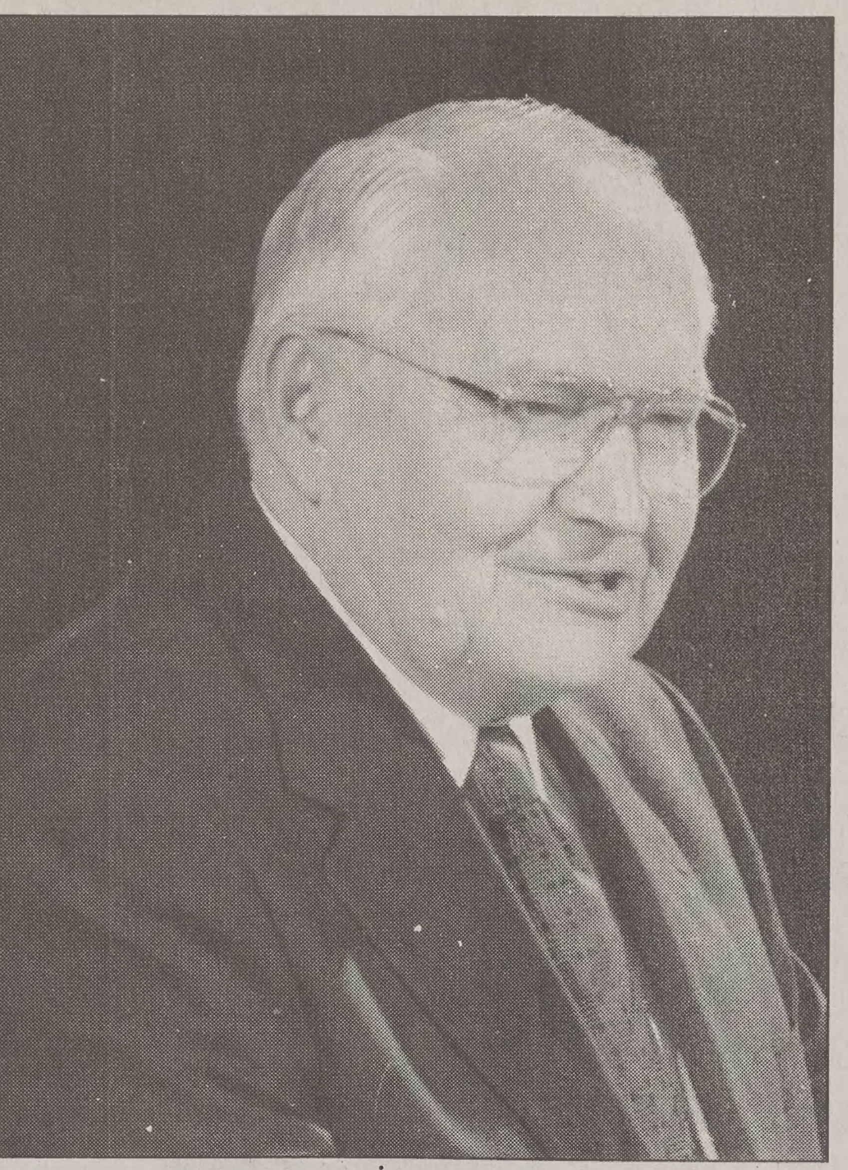
On the topic of self esteem Elder Perry asked, "Have you ever thought of yourself as a junior angel crowned with glory and honor?" He said man is a "little lower than the angels," and blessed with many talents and abilities.

Elder Perry stressed the necessity of eternal families.

"There would be no reason for [the Savior] to return to earth to rule and reign over his kingdom unless the eternal family unit has been established for our Father in Heaven's children," he said.

Devotion to God is tested by how his children serve, Elder Perry said.

"We must find our own relationship with our Eternal Father. We must gain our own testimonies," he said.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Elder L. Tom Perry speaks to the youth of the church about many issues during the Sunday afternoon session of general conference. Elder Perry addressed appreciation for the land, education and self esteem.

Share peace of gospel, Elder Halverson says

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The gospel brings peace to those who seek it and members of the church need to share this peace with others, said Elder Halverson of the Seventy in the Sunday afternoon session of general conference.

"We live in a world where many hear of Christ, but do not know him. It is incumbent upon us as members of the church to share our testimonies with others. In humility, we bear witness that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God," he said.

He also said that living the principles of the gospel brings "joy and peace of mind" to truth seekers throughout the world, and those who live the gospel find strength to meet challenges and can be heirs to God's promised blessings.

"The gospel of Jesus Christ brings peace of mind, heals the soul, and calms the troubled heart. It gives definition and meaning to the purpose of life, the spiritual reassurance that God lives and Jesus is the Christ," Elder Halverson said.

Elder Halverson illustrated his point by telling the story of a woman he interviewed several years ago who was going through the temple for the first time to be married. Since her youth, the young woman had looked to find peace, but hadn't been able to until she read a Book of Mormon she found on the shelf at a friend's house. She later found out for herself it was true and joined the church.

Elder Halverson said this young woman sat in his office reflecting upon the blessed state of her life, wondering why Heavenly Father had chosen to bless her life in such a manner. Elder Halverson said that this experience with the young woman had a profound effect upon him.

"I often think of that experience, and each time I do, it brings a deep feeling of gratitude for our Savior and what he has done for us, for the price that he paid to make it possible for each of us to find inner-peace in a troubled world," he said.

For those who feel they are too far removed from the gospel to receive its blessings, Elder Halverson said that forgiveness exists. Quoting former church President Spencer W. Kimball, he called forgiveness a "priceless gift" in a world of turmoil.

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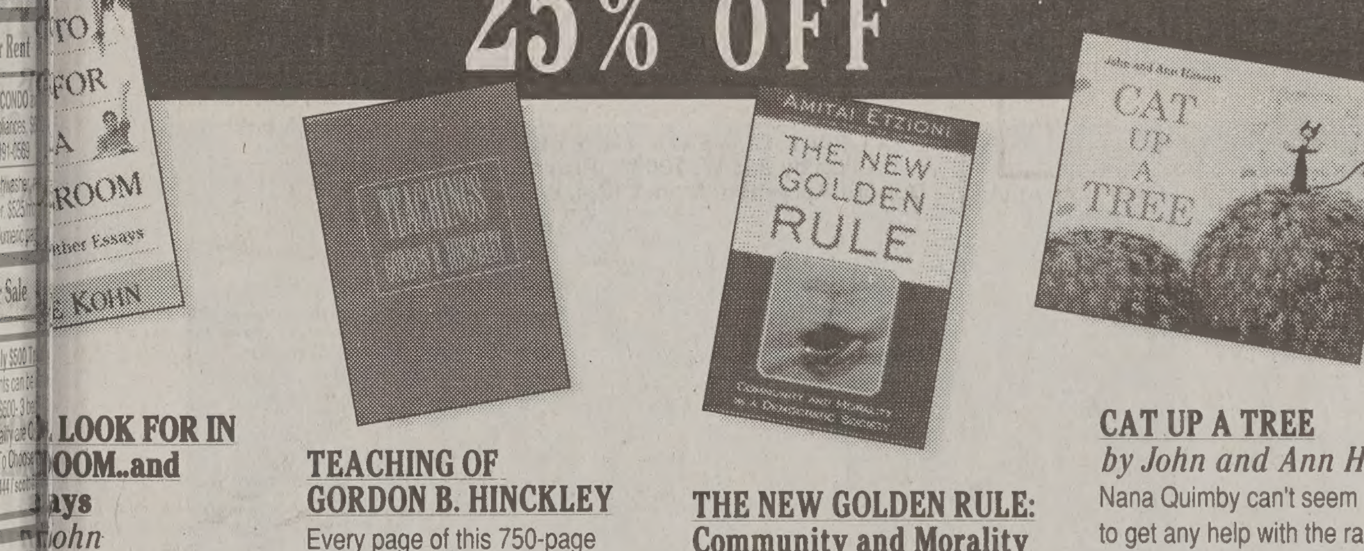

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Seventies speak on service, beliefs

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Elder Merrill C. Oaks addresses the issue of continuing revelation in the church during the Sunday afternoon session of general conference. Elder Oaks said continuing revelation sometimes causes changes which disturb members of the church.

Continuing revelation is important

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The principle of continuing revelation is an essential part of the LDS Church and the Lord's kingdom, said Elder Merrill C. Oaks of the Seventy in the Sunday afternoon session of general conference.

Elder Oaks said some procedures were not completely developed in the early years of the church and they have been clarified and added to by subsequent prophets.

He also said the protection of the Latter-day Saints from false doctrine lies in the belief in continuing revelation from the current prophet.

"Beginning with Joseph Smith and continuing on to his successors as president of the church, the ongoing stream of revelation has perfected our understanding of the gospel," Elder Oaks said. "The understanding of doctrines is more complete as taught by the church today than at any prior time in this dispensation."

Continuing revelation sometimes causes changes which disturb some members of the church, Elder Oaks said.

"Some literally hunt for situations where earlier church leaders or members made statements which are not in complete harmony with our understanding and practices today," he said; this mind set that doctrine coming from an earlier time period must be right is an incorrect premise.

Elder Oaks also quoted President Harold B. Lee: "We have some today willing to believe someone who is dead and gone and to accept his words as having more authority than the words of a living authority today."

The church's ninth Article of Faith also states, "We believe all that God has revealed, all that He does now reveal, and we believe that He will yet reveal many great and important things pertaining to the Kingdom of God."

Good attitude leads to gratitude

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Having a good attitude leads to the necessary virtue of gratitude, from which joy and happiness stem, said Elder Gordon Taylor Watts of the Seventy in the Sunday afternoon session of general conference.

"Failure to recognize the Lord for all we have will soon result in selfish behavior," Elder Watts said.

Elder Watts recounted a story from his youth saying he had very little when he was growing up.

He only realized this when he compared himself to others at his school who had more than he did.

"Regretfully, I began to forget how happy I had been with my basket of blessings as I indulged in comparing their seemingly endless bushels to mine," he said. "Thus the blinders to humility began distorting reality, giving way to ingratitude."

Often God's blessings are not recognized, or expressions of gratitude fall short of God's expectations, Elder Watts said.

"We must use caution not to be drawn into the growing populous of ungrateful people who have become calloused to blessings as they bicker in misery," he said.

Willingness to serve is a reflection of gratitude, Elder Watts said.

Elder Watts told a story of a district president who was grateful to have bicycle for transportation to fulfil his calling.

"Perhaps there is a lesson here," Elder Watts said. "If we are feeling ungrateful, we need to peddle a little faster."

Elder Watts also said it is necessary to be grateful in times of trial.

"In times of trial we can accept with gratefulness that which is to come," he said.

Faith, leadership and workers vital in church work

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The leadership of an inspired prophet, skillful workers and the faith of church members are vital in establishing the LDS Church and in building temples, said Elder Earl M. Monson of the Seventy.

"The church can build temples, send missionaries throughout the world and do marvelous humanitarian acts; but it still comes to what exists in our own thoughts and feelings and actions as to how solidly it is established," he said.

Those devoted to the establishment of the LDS Church receive "innumerable and eternal" blessings, Elder Monson said.

He said many church members want to live pure lives and contribute, but they make mistakes occasionally.

"It has been said 'The greatest waste in the world is the difference between what we are and what we may become,'"

Elder Monson said. "The gospel is at the heart of what we may become and how to get there."

Elder Monson also said he cherished the opportunities he has had to witness the Spirit of the Lord inspire President Gordon B. Hinckley, who is "truly a prophet for this time."

"Now is the time to establish the Lord's church by securing a confirmation of the truthfulness of the gospel in our own hearts and doing what priesthood leaders ask of us," Elder Monson said.

Establishing the church is a unique task, Elder Monson said.

"We must take the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people in their own language without defiling the purity of the message."

He also said the church needs honest leaders and a membership of integrity to establish the church. Though the task of establishing a church like this may seem overwhelming, Elder Monson said, "such is the assignment from the Lord."

"It is an interesting thought that the Lord has declared this is the time to establish his church, and then to realize it happens as each of us develops a firm, unwavering testimony of the truthfulness of its precepts," he said.

The Lord has counseled to seek the kingdom of God first and then all other desirable things will be granted, Elder Monson said.

"Those who help establish the church know what is bad, but they consistently choose the better part and fill their minds with pure thoughts," he said.

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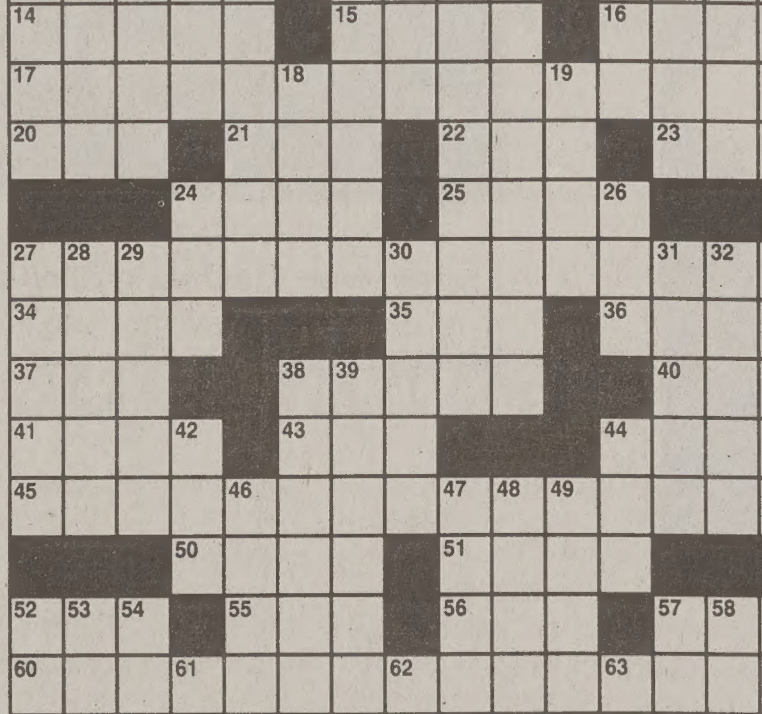
37 Director Jean-—— Godard
38 Having hair like horses
40 Menagerie
41 Monastery titles
43 Aviation hero
44 Alex Trebek, e.g.
45 Jewelry and gold doubloons, maybe
50 Sciences' partner
51 Strived (for)
52 Scottie's bark
55 "Mamma ——!"
56 Time in history
57 Hang on the clothesline
60 Absolutely confident
64 Do as directed
65 River deposit
66 Had title to
67 Treat lavishly
68 P.M. periods
69 Dame Rebecca and others

DOWN

1 Went like the dickens
2 Curbside call
3 Fall mos.
4 Mal de ——
5 Like some stations on a car radio
6 Concoct
7 Any doctrine
8 Rescuee's cry
9 Coronado was one
10 Dallas sch.
11 Tortoise's opponent
12 Chopping tools
13 Snake's warning
18 One of two English queens
19 Gives under pressure
24 Arafat's grp.
26 Warm welcome
27 Does a round of nine
28 Swahili for "freedom"
29 Like an old empire of 24-Across
30 Hermit
31 Gillette product
32 Uneven, as leaves
33 Card markings
38 Decimal part of a logarithm
39 Pretends
42 Music with a blend of folk and calypso
44 1963 Paul Newman film
46 Writer Bombeck
47 Turns inside out
48 Suffix with million
49 Endangered animal in Florida
52 Beginning
53 Hick
54 Guitar part
57 Actress Sothern et al.
58 Skeptic's comment
59 Marge Schott's team
61 It takes in the sights
62 Final: Abbr.
63 Amazement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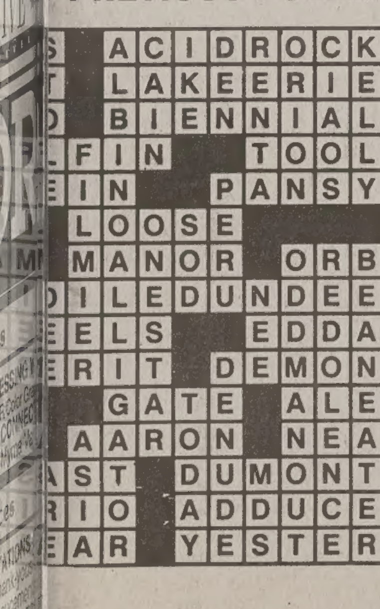

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With hopes of getting inside the Tabernacle for conference, a family and child wait for the rain to subside.

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President Gordon B. Hinckley and President James E. Faust talk and laugh before the beginning of the Sunday morning session of general conference.

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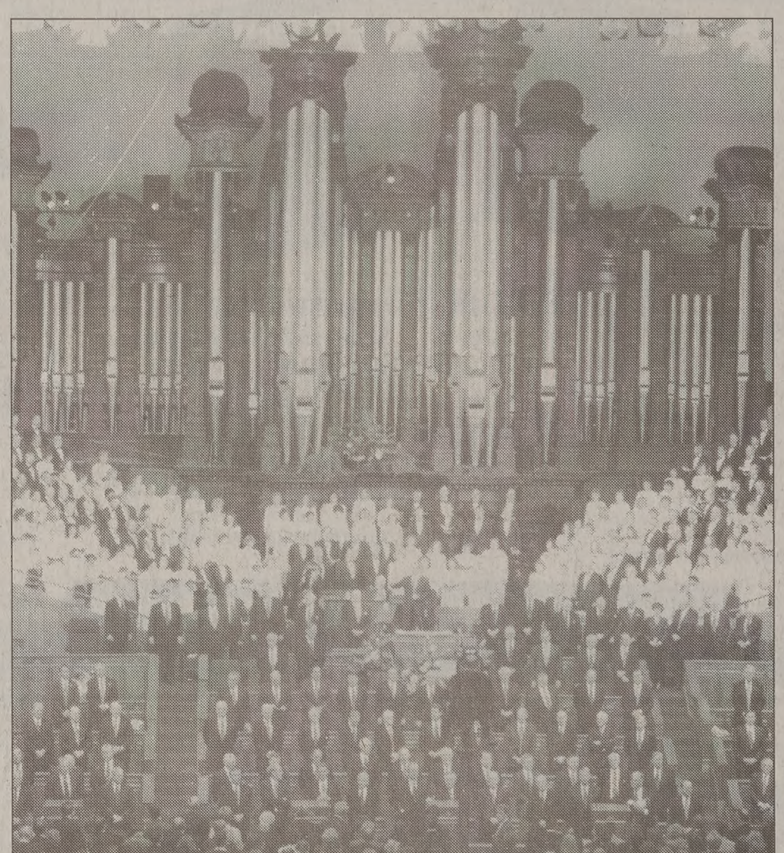
Alison Monroe of West Valley, left; Andrew Hardman of Magna; Grant Richardson of Magna; and Mary Locke of West Valley play games as they wait Sunday to get into the Tabernacle.



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The Mormon Tabernacle Choir and LDS congregation stand to sing during Sunday morning's general conference session in the Tabernacle.

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Members of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir sing during the Sunday afternoon session of general conference.